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GIBRALTAR'S DECISION.

DANIEL "GUILTY" OF ALL CHARGES.

ON HALF PAY.

Dismissed Ship And Severely Reprimanded.

COURT DELIBERATE FOR SIXTY-FIVE MINUTES.

The Naval Court Martial, at Gibraltar, yesterday found Commander Daniel guilty of the four charges brought against him of acts prejudicial of discipline and sentenced him to be dismissed his ship and severely reprimanded. The charges turned largely on a letter written by Comdr. Daniel to Captain Dewar of H.M.S. "Royal Oak" containing criticisms of the conduct of Rear-Admiral Collard.

INDIGNANT MARINES.

Gibraltar, To-day. Comdr. Daniel has been found guilty on all charges.

Later. Comdr. Daniel has been dismissed from his ship, H.M.S. "Cormorant" and severely reprimanded. Not Dismissed The Service. H.M.S. "Cormorant" is the sloop to which Comdr. Daniel was appointed after he left H.M.S. "Royal Oak."

To-day's sentence does not mean dismissal from the service. Until "My Lords" Decide.

Comdr. Daniel will remain on half-pay until it pleases the Lords of the Admiralty to appoint him to another ship or post.

The Court deliberated for 65 minutes. After the verdict had been delivered Comdr. Daniel's past record was read and the Court re-adjourned to consider the question of punishment. They returned in half-an-hour.

Rear-Admiral Collard was not present when the sentence was read.

The court has been dissolved.

Final Speeches.

Mr. Kimball, in his speech for the defence declared that if the Court's finding was "guilty," the belief prevalent in the junior ranks of the Navy that "complaint meant punishment" would be strengthened.

The prosecutor, in his speech, impressively contended that the charges had been proved.—Reuter.

For And Against.

London, Yesterday. In concluding his speech the accused's legal "friend" (Mr. Day Kimball) maintained that Comdr. Daniel's actions had been performed in good faith and that even if he were thought guilty of a technical offence he had been actuated by his concern for the morale of the ship.

The prosecutor, on the other hand, maintained that Comdr. Daniel had included in his letter terms which were subversive of discipline and had contravened the King's Regulations and had publicly read such passages in the wardroom. The method followed by Comdr. Daniel, said the prosecutor, was highly improper and might have biased witness at

SHANGHAI M.C.

LONG-STANDING GRIEVANCE REMOVED.

CHINESE COUNCILLORS.

Shanghai, Yesterday. The Municipal Council of the Chinese Ratepayers' Association reached a "modus vivendi" this afternoon regarding Chinese representation on the Council. This removes a long outstanding Chinese grievance.

Under this arrangement between the bodies mentioned, the Association forthwith appoints three Chinese Councillors, while six Chinese are added to the Municipal Committee. The Council will henceforth consist of five British members, three Chinese, two Japanese and two Americans.

A noteworthy passage in the final reply to the Association by the Chairman, Mr. Fessenden, reads: "The Council quite appreciates the point that, with full co-operation from the Chinese, the proposed arrangement will in the ordinary course of events lead to Chinese members on the Council."

EGYPT'S POLICY.

Nahaz Pasha On The Recent Note.

"STATEMENT OF FACT."

Preparing For Real Anglo-Egyptian Friendship.

London, Yesterday. Nahaz Pasha, speaking to pressmen declared that the Egyptian Note was merely a statement of fact without any spirit of defiance or aggression. On the contrary the Egyptian Government were endeavouring to prepare the way for real Anglo-Egyptian friendship by preventing causes of conflict.—Reuter.

TRAMP AFIRE.

SMALL OUTBREAK ON JAPANESE SHIP.

NO DAMAGE.

A fire, fortunately of small dimensions, broke out on the Japanese tramp steamer "Some Dona Maru" at Buoy 50 (close to Jardine's wharf) this morning. The "Some Dona Maru" arrived in Hong Kong from Calcutta with a cargo of coal on Monday, her local agents being the Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

Smoke was observed emerging from one of the holds shortly before 10 a.m. today. All hands were brought to bear on putting out the fire, which originated from the coal cargo and the Fire Brigade was notified.

There were no flames and it became apparent that the extent of the smouldering was not very great. By the time Nos. 1 and 3 fire floots had arrived on the scene the ship's crew had helped materially to obtain control but the fire floots put water into the holds for an hour or so by which time there was no further danger.

The ship is not damaged in any way and as soon as the cargo is discharged it will leave Hong Kong for Japan, probably on Friday.

"SANNING" REFLOAT.

TWO WEEKS IN PIRATE HAUNT.

NOT BADLY DAMAGED?

A wireless message was received in the Colony this morning stating that the Hong Kong-Wuchow steamer "Sanning" which has been aground in the pirate infested district of Taiping Sha since March 23 refloated with the tide early this morning.

The "Sanning" grounded at the top of high water on the highest tide of the period and remained high and dry with two feet of rudder showing in spite of lighters having been requisitioned for discharging cargo.

Passing vessels attempted to render assistance, including H.M. "Onslaught" and "Nessus" but without avail and the "Onslaught" remained in the area to protect the ship against possible piratical attacks.

No further news other than the actual refloating has been received. It is not thought that the "Sanning" is damaged to any serious extent and she will probably make Hong Kong this afternoon.

SEEN OFF.

RIDDING THE COLONY OF BEGGARS.

FOR DEEP WATER BAY.

Eighteen Chinese beggars, both males and females, were marched off from Police Headquarters soon after 9.30 this morning to board a junk which will convey them to Deep Water Bay where they will be placed on Chinese territory.

Amongst the motley crowd were the blind, the lame, the maimed and the sick. One well-known character, who usually "piled his trade" in the Glenalee was noticed in ranks at the "march past." He must have been sent away from Hong Kong at least half-a-dozen times, but always managed to find his way back.

The "music" for the parade was supplied by an ancient-looking beggar, who was looking with bewilderment at the marching column, which at intervals of about 100 paces, was preceded by a band of police.

BRITISH SHIPS.

New Boycott On Upper Yangtze.

WANHSIEN ECHO.

Ichang Merchants Follow Lead Of Military.

Wanhsien, Yesterday. Chinese merchants here have been ordered not to ship goods in British vessels. The order is by men of a society calling themselves "Avengers of Wanhhsien Martyrs."

The Ichang Chamber of Commerce decided at a meeting that the order must be complied with. The Wanhhsien Bureau of Navigation, a local government institution, is backing the Avengers' Society on the ground that British ships will not carry opium, arms or soldiers, nor reserve 15 per cent. of the cargo space on each ship, free, for the military authorities.

General Yang Sen is the only authority able to deal with this matter and it is doubtful if he

TROTSKY DYING?

Reported Shot By "Red" Youth.

London, To-day. The "Morning Post" gives prominence to a story from Paris that Trotsky is believed to be dying somewhere in Siberia from a bullet wound.

It states that Trotsky was fired on last week by a young Red fanatic. Every effort is being made by Stalin supporters to prevent the news crossing the frontier. Details, which are most circumstantial, have presumably come via the diplomatic bags of the various embassies.—Reuter.

can be easily approached as he is reported to be fighting about 100 miles above Wanhhsien, against one of his rebel subordinates, General Kuo Ju-tung.—British Naval Wireless.

FRESH AND CLOUDY.

N.E. winds, fresh, cloudy. Is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow.

The anticyclone over China is unchanged. The depression is now central between Tokyo and the Bonins. Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

The Nationalist officials here show friendly disposition to foreigners. Their sway extends a little further up the Yangtze.

Ichang is 370 miles above Hankow and Wanhhsien 180 miles above Ichang, or over 1,000 miles from the sea.

Tantamount to Squeeze. Between Wanhhsien and Ichang, Yang Sen is again in power. He is neither for nor against the Nationalists.

Attempts have been made consistently to exact illegal levies on British ships and to force them to violate neutrality by acting as transports—and without payment.

Effort to resist these exactions have met with varying success. It appears now from the above despatch that the antagonism is due to refusal to what amounts to "paying squeeze" to the local military who, in turn, have received the Wanhhsien incident. The merchants are powerless to act on their own initiative.

Nanking Troops. Pukow, Yesterday. Nationalist troops, ostensibly for war service, are still crossing the Yangtze between Nanking and Pukow.—British Naval Wireless.

Swatow Position. Swatow, Yesterday. The situation here shows no change.

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PRECIOUS MSS.

English Record Price For "Alice."

\$15,400 PAID BY AMERICAN.

The Original Alice In Role Of Vendor.

London, Yesterday. The English record price of \$15,400 was paid at Sotheby's for the original manuscript of Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland." The purchaser was Dr. Rosenbach of Philadelphia, the vendor being the original "Alice," now Mrs. Alice Hargreaves.

The previous English record was \$15,100 sterling, which in 1919 was paid for "The Passionate Pilgrim." Dr. Rosenbach has announced that he would allow the nation to have the manuscript at the price he paid. Dr. Rosenbach paid the record price of \$5,000 for a first edition copy of "Alice in Wonderland."—Reuter.

COTTON BLAZE.

10,000,000 RUPEES DAMAGE AT KARACHI.

WALL OF FLAMES.

Karachi, Yesterday. Over 35,000 bales of cotton were destroyed in the most serious fire ever experienced in Karachi. The fire started in the afternoon and had spread gravely by nightfall.

A solid wall of flames, twenty feet high, extending for half a mile, left the fire brigades helpless, as, owing to the heat, they were unable to approach. The damage is estimated at a crore (10,000,000) of rupees.

Several tons of wheat, rice, and other foodstuffs were gutted.—Reuter.

THE NANKING PATCH

THE NATIONALISTS AND AMERICA.

EXCHANGE OF NOTES.

Reuter from Shanghai to-day forwards the text of the notes that passed between Mr. MacMurray, U.S. Minister in China, and Mr. Hwang Fu, foreign minister of the Nationalist Government prior to the settlement of the Nanking outrages as between America and the Nationalist Government.

The first from Hwang Fu expresses "profound regret" at the indignities suffered by American nationals at Nanking at the time and puts the blame on Communists who were active before the establishment of the Nanking Government. The Government specifically undertakes that there shall be no similar violence or agitation against American lives or "legitimate interests."

Then the message goes on to state that the Nanking Government undertakes to make full compensation for all personal and material damages done to Americans and proposes the establishment of a joint commission to verify the actual injuries, etc.

Mr. MacMurray's note in reply accepts the Nationalist conditions. Socony Hill.

Then Mr. Hwang Fu came back with another note pointing out that on March 24 last the U.S.S. "Nona" and "Preston" opened fire upon Socony Hill, Nanking, and expressed the hope that America would express regret for this.

In reply Mr. MacMurray says it was a "protective barrage" however, the U.S. Government "deeply deplores" that circumstances beyond its control should have necessitated the adoption of such measures.

Treaty Revision. There are two other notes, one from Mr. Hwang Fu suggesting that steps may be taken for the revision of treaties, and another from Mr. MacMurray agreeing that the subject might be considered when an administrative representative of the Chinese people was in existence.

It is a curse and disgrace that this country has so many unemployed.—Mr. W. E. Morris.

The chief purpose of education is to give mankind something to live for.—Michael Sadler.

will be guests at dinner aboard

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EASTER VISIT.

Japanese Warships Arriving.

ELABORATE ARRANGEMENTS.

Full Programme Of Functions Published.

Elaborate arrangements have been made to welcome the Japanese warships on their arrival in Hong Kong on Easter Monday, April 9.

An impressive feature of the visit will be the fact that practically every available man in the Squadron, numbering a few thousand, will be ashore at the same time.

H.I.H. Prince Kuni is one of the distinguished visitors. Prince Kuni is the elder brother of the present Empress of Japan. He is a First Lieutenant on the battleship "Mutsu" and his visit will be incognito, although he will be invited to a number of functions with the Admiral, probably as one of the staff of the latter.

Prince Kuni, it is interesting to learn, was intended for a Naval career from the beginning of his education. It being the rule of the Japanese Navy that all officers must, while they are midshipmen, make a cruise in a training ship around the world, the Prince has at some time or other made the circuit. He is not even a staff officer at present being one of the ordinary deck officers on the "Mutsu," in charge of a section like any other 1st Lieutenant. The "China Mail" understands that he is not given any special facility because of his rank. Should duty super-vene, he may have to forego attendance at one or more of the functions; as no arrangement will be made to give him leave.

Easter Monday Arrival.

Three large ships will be in the fleet. These are units in the First Battleship Squadron, comprising the "Nagato," the flagship of Admiral Kanji Kato, the "Mutsu," on which is Prince Kuni, and the "Fuso."

The cruiser "Tenryu" is included and a fleet auxiliary, the "Tsurumi." Then there is the First Destroyer Squadron consisting of four flotillas of four ships each, or sixteen in all.

Berthing arrangements have already been made.

A number of British Naval interpreters and liaison officers will be attached to the various ships. Navigating officers will go out in the Naval tug "St. Breock" to Waglan on Easter Monday to assist in berthing. The ships are expected to pass Lyemun about 11 a.m.

Aeroplanes' Salute.

Three aeroplanes from the Royal Air Force, Kai Tak, will meet the Fleet before it enters Hong Kong harbour, saluting the flagship.

Captain A. J. L. Whyte, as Aide-de-Camp, will put off to welcome the Admiral. The 2nd Battalion, King's Own Scottish Borderers will provide the guard of honour and band. After Admiral Kato's call on H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) at Government House, His Excellency will return the call on the "Nagato."

H.I.H.M.'s Consul-General in Hong Kong, Mr. Y. Murakami, will also make an official call on the Admiral.

There will, of course, be the usual salutes and other calls.

The programme has been arranged as follows:—

Monday, April 9. In the afternoon, a number of Japanese officers will be present at the second day's events of the Hong Kong Jockey Club's third extra race meeting at Happy Valley.

H.E. the Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt (who will arrive back on H.M.S. "Hawkins," the flagship, to-morrow) will give a dinner in the evening, in honour of the visitors.

Tuesday, April 10. The local Japanese community will give a dinner at which only Japanese will be present.

In the afternoon there will be a reception at Government House where some of the Colony's residents will be invited to meet the distinguished guests.

H.E. the General Officer Commanding (Major-General C. C. Guard) gives a dinner at Headquarters House in the evening.

will be guests at dinner aboard

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AIR TRAGEDY.

Naval Funerals This Afternoon.

THREE VICTIMS.

"Hermes" Flying Men To Receive Full Honours.

The funeral of the three victims of the seaplane tragedy yesterday when a Fairey 3-seater attached to the "Hermes" crashed into the stern of the aircraft carrier and burst into flames takes place this afternoon passing the gates of the Naval Hospital at 4.30 p.m.

The funeral will take place with full Naval honours and representatives of all H.M. ships in ports, and shore and administrative staffs will be present.

The bodies of Lieut. Graham, the observer, and Telegraphist Jackson were recovered by divers yesterday afternoon. They were free of the plane wreckage and whilst that of Lieut. Graham bore terrible witness to the force of the impact between the machine and the "Hermes," that of Telegraphist Jackson was not mutilated to any great extent.

It is understood that an inquiry will be held into the disaster but there will be little data to work on other than that provided by witnesses on duty on the signal tower as the wrecked and burnt plane, even if it could afford any clue, is beneath the sea. One of the plane's wings is thought to have occasioned the loss of control.

It is pointed out that the accident might easily have assumed even more tragic an aspect if the plane had struck the ship in almost any other part. There were many officers and men on duty at the time near the lift which takes the planes from the lower to the upper deck and at other stations. If the petrol tank of the plane had exploded the safety of the ship itself would have been imperilled.

Owing to the tragedy, the "Hermes" dance fixed for to-night has been adjourned until Tuesday, the 10th inst., at the same time and place. Those in receipt of invitations are asked to note.

Macao's Sympathy.

H.E. the Governor of Macao (Signor Arthur Tamagnini Burboa) sent the following cable to H.E. the Governor of Hong Kong yesterday:—

"Kindly accept in my name and that of the Colony the profoundest sympathy at the death of the three British airmen in the distressing accident.—Tamagnini."

H.E. the Governor of Hong Kong (Sir Cecil Clementi) replied to-day:—

"The Colony of Hong Kong and the Flying Services greatly appreciate Your Excellency's message of sympathy.—Clementi."

the various British warships in harbour.

The "Nagato" and "Mutsu" will be open to Japanese visitors during the day.

Three thousand warrant officers and men will land. There will be trips by train, both in the morning and afternoon, to Fanling, whence the visitors will walk the short distance to Kwantung steaple-chase course. Here refreshments will be served and the men will then return by train. A thousand will go in the morning and a thousand in the afternoon.

Motor-buses will take 200 to Castle Peak Bay in the morning, where there will be refreshments, and the same number again in the afternoon.

In the afternoon, 650 will be entertained at a picture show in the Grand Theatre, by courtesy of Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd.

Wednesday, April 11. Mr. Y. Murakami, the Consul-General is host at tiffin. In the afternoon there will be a reception by the Japanese community in the Hong Kong Hotel, and there will be also motor-car trips around Hong Kong.

At 6.15 p.m., there will be cinema shows for a hundred officers, at the invitation of Hong Kong Amusements, forty at the Queen's Theatre, forty at the World and twenty at the Star, Kowloon.

In the evening, H.E. the Governor gives a dinner at Government House.

The "Fuso" and "Nagato" will be open to British visitors during the day.

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NOTICES.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 6, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th April, 1928, at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th March, 1928, to the 4th April, 1928 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,
LOOK POONG-SHAN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 19th March, 1928.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th April to the 11th April, 1928, both days inclusive.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1928.
By Order of the Board,
J. P. SHERRY,
Manager.
14, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.

HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

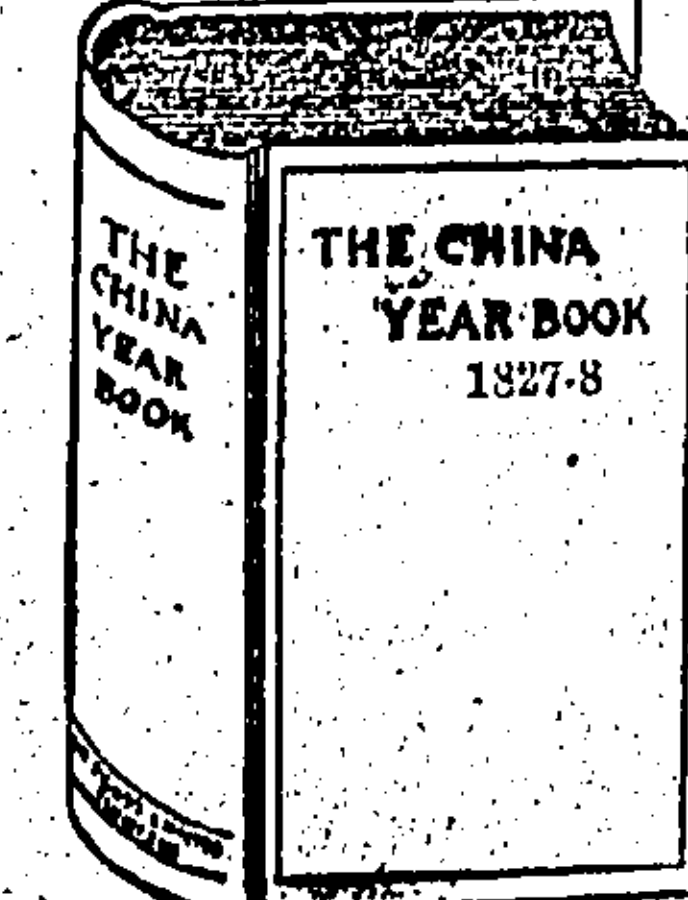
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By Order of the Board,
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Secretary.
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C. BOND,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 4th April, 1928.

HONG KONG BASEBALL ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Hong Kong Baseball Association will be held at the American Consulate General, 5.30 p.m. WEDNESDAY, April 4th, 1928.

All interested are requested to attend.
HIN WONG,
Hon. Secretary.
March 27, 1928.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on FRIDAY, SATURDAY, and MONDAY, the 6th, 7th and 9th instant (Easter Holidays).
Hong Kong, 2nd April, 1928.

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The first bell will be rung at 2 p.m. The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 per day for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

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Hong Kong 2nd April, 1928.

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MALARIA PROBLEMS.

SOCIETIES FOR COMBATING DISEASE.

HONG KONG PROJECT.

In the course of his replies to questions by Dr. W. V. M. Koch regarding local malaria problems, Mr. N. L. Smith, President, at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, indicated that the possibility was being considered of forming anti-malarial societies in the villages of Hong Kong on lines similar to those adopted in India under the guidance of Sir Ronald Ross.

There were present at the meeting, Mr. W. J. Carrie (Chairman), The Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Mr. J. P. Braga, Dr. G. W. Pope (M.O.H.), Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Dr. S. W. Tso and Mr. J. Watson (Secretary).

The questions and answers were as follows:—

Question: Pending the arrival of a Malaria Expert, and, as the work of Malaria Prevention should be continuously carried out on the usual well known lines will the Authorities state what has been done in this direction in this Colony and the New Territory during the past three years as regards:—

(a) The Training of Nullahs.
(b) Reclamation of Swamps.
(c) Dealing with Paddy Fields and other forms of wet cultivation.

Answer: The following training was carried out during the years 1925, 1926 and 1927.

(i). In Hong Kong 6,845 feet whilst reclamation covered 5,300 feet.

(ii). In Kowloon 5,624 feet.

(b) If lowlying localities be included the areas reclaimed in Hong Kong amount to 4 acres, in Kowloon approximately 77 acres and in New Kowloon 26 acres. These areas have been brought to levels which approximate to those laid down in the Town Planning Scheme.

(c) As it is impossible to eliminate rice cultivation in the New Territories paddy fields must remain potential breeding places for mosquitoes. Drainage "grips" and channels have at times been cut to improve areas which are considered likely to facilitate breeding.

Inspectors' Visits.

Question: Does this Department continue to send out an Inspector and a squad of men to search for and locate mosquito infected and mosquito breeding places and to deal with them?

Answer: All District Inspectors make weekly visits within their own districts to sites where building is going on and to vacant land if possible. Private houses are inspected for breeding places during house cleansing. An experienced foreman and two coolies are constantly employed on anti-mosquito work on this side of the harbour; and another foreman and four coolies are similarly employed in Kowloon.

P.C.M.O. Preparing Report.

Question: (a) How many cases of Malaria have been under treatment during the past three years, yearly, in the Public Dispensaries and Hospitals under Government Inspection and Control, giving the number in each Institution.

(b) How many deaths from Malaria have been recorded in such Institutions?

(c) How many cases have been diagnosed clinically, and how many by microscopic examination?

Answer: A return prepared by the acting P. C. M. O. is laid on the table.

Malaria Amongst Troops.

Question: Could statistics be obtained from the Military Authorities as to the prevalence of Malaria in this command?

Answer: Statistics have been given to me by the Military Authorities as to the prevalence of Malaria among the troops in the South China Command. These statistics may not be published without the sanction of the War Office. It can, however, be stated that, as regards the incidence of Malaria among the troops, during the year 1927, the ratio per thousand was considerably lower than in former years.

Anti-Malaria Societies.

Question: Could this Department undertake or direct a campaign of instruction among the people by lectures and demonstrations on the prevalence and prevention of Malaria calling in if necessary the Dispensary Medical Staff, the Y.M.C.A. and any other bodies which would offer their services?

Answer: This matter is at present under consideration by the Principal Civil Medical Officer who has been conferring with the District Officers, North and South as to the possibility of forming Anti-Malarial Societies in the villages of Hong Kong on lines similar to those adopted in India under the guidance of Sir Ronald Ross.

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Blood smears examined by Govt. Bacteriologist, 892 in 1925, 886 in 1926 and 381 in 1927. Number positive for malaria, 240 in 1925, 61 in 1926 and 66 in 1927. Percentage, 26.9 in 1925, 15.8 in 1926 and 19.6 in 1927.

Total number of cases treated in above Hospitals, 2,141 in 1925, 1,737 in 1926 and 1,419 in 1927. Total number of deaths, 317 in 1925, 281 in 1926 and 215 in 1927.

A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE

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SEND IT HOME!

Because of the Easter Holidays, this week's "Overland China Mail" appears on Thursday instead of Friday.

Several events of world importance are recorded. All that has led up to the present position as regards the Nanking incident has been reproduced, including the reports of the American settlement with the Nationalist Government.

Other matters in China are described and commented upon in the "Overland."

Locally, there have been a number of events, the reports on which, extending over several days, will be found together in handy form in the "Overland China Mail."

The week's local news, sports articles, weddings and company meeting proceedings are, as usual, in the "Overland."

WHEN YOU GO ON LEAVE.

Hong Kong's spring exodus has begun. Are you going Home on leave this year? If you are, you will be surprised by the number of persons who will ask you about China and Hong Kong. You will be astonished at the number and type of silly questions put to you in all good faith. And you will have to admit reluctantly (if only to yourself) that you are not quite certain. Will you be believed, though? Keep in touch with Hong Kong and China by having the "Overland China Mail" sent to you for a stipulated period.

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SHIPPING
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"TOO INFORMAL"

SAYS PRESIDENT AT MARINE
INQUIRY.

"TAMING" & "KATONAH"

"This Court is becoming too informal," interposed Lt. Comdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N. (acting Harbour Master and stipendiary Marine Magistrate) during the sitting of an inquiry to-day into the circumstances attending a collision outside Lyemmun Pass (the western entrance to Hong Kong harbour), on the night of March 28-29. The vessels concerned were the China Navigation Co.'s (Messrs. Butterfield & Swire) well-known coasting steamer, the "Taming," which was coming down from Canton; and the Standard Oil Co.'s tow-launch "Katonah" (under a Chinese coxswain) to which was lashed a large lighter, the "Vermont," recently built at Taikoo Dock.

The "Taming" was damaged amidships and the "Vermont" was damaged in the bows.

Captain Mills's Evidence. The Court comprised Comdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., Marine Magistrate (President), Lt. Comdr. Ivor Farrant (H.M.S. "Hermes"), Captain D. G. Burleigh (a.s. "Chipsing"), Captain W. H. Walker (a.s. "Kwong Tung"), Captain A. Hall (a.s. "Pheumphen").

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton appeared for the master of the "Taming" and Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones for the owners, coxswain and crew of the "Katonah."

Captain G. D. S. Mills, master of the "Taming" since Sept. 8, 1927, said that he had held a master's certificate since Dec. 1893.

He left Canton at 4.55 p.m. on March 28 for Hong Kong. Shortly after 11 p.m. he was sent for by the chief officer. It was raining heavily. The telegraph was at the stand-by. He gave the order "slow" and turned the ship because visibility was bad.

Before 12 midnight, visibility improved and the rain had stopped. He proceeded slowly and about 12.10 a.m. increased the speed. The ship was then passing Castle Peak Bay and approaching Brothers' Point. Then he noticed a tug and tow coming in his direction, starboard, about two or three miles away. He was stern East by South and his course was that

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"Collision Inevitable." The "Taming's" course was altered to East ½ South when the tug and tow were about 400 feet away, two points on the starboard bow.

The tug and tow sounded one blast, said witness, and altered towards the "Taming." The distance was too close for the "Taming" to alter to starboard and so witness blew two blasts and put his helm hard a starboard. The "Taming" was swinging away but a collision was then inevitable and the "Taming's" engines were ordered full astern to lessen the impact.

The "Taming's" head was then E.N.E. Within half a minute, the tow "Vermont" (in tow) on the port side of the tug, struck the "Taming" 25 feet forward of amidships.

A hole was knocked in the side of the "Taming," shell plating and stringers were damaged. In No. 2 hold. The hole was plugged and, after the vessels had cleared, pumps put on.

The "Vermont" said Captain Mills, was slightly damaged. The red light of the tug was never seen from the time she blew one blast. There was room for the tug and tow. The "Taming" had never made a material alteration in course, after sighting.

"Impossible to Imagine." After giving the respective positions and courses—in his approximate estimate, Captain Mills (in cross-examination) said that at the time of sighting the "Katonah," visibility was "dark, clear." The two vessels were from two to three miles apart. He denied a suggestion by Mr. Hugh-Jones that this was an over-estimate.

The "Taming's" speed was 10 knots: an hour, that of the "Katonah" about 4 knots.

Had both ships continued on their courses without alteration from the point when they were about 400 feet apart—they would have passed each other with 200 feet to spare.

Ordered by the President, Captain Mills left the witness box to demonstrate the relative positions with models. Mr. Hugh-Jones and Captain Mills entered into an argument and Mr. Brutton joined in occasionally. Whereupon the President observed: "This Court is becoming too informal" and proceeded to put a few material questions to witness.

After further cross-examination, Mr. Hugh-Jones said to witness: "Well, the thing is so absurd that it is impossible to imagine an experienced Chinese or man of any other nationality doing it." Captain Mills replied: "It cannot be imagined but nevertheless he (meaning the "Katonah") did it."

The Usual Course. By the President: Why does the usual course of ships coming to Hong Kong from Canton take you towards the north shore?—It is the usual practice of the pilots.

The President: Can you suggest no reason—No, except that it may be to counteract the set of the current.

In reply to the President, Captain Mills said he considered the lighting in that part of the Channel to be sufficient and that the "Taming" acted well to her rudder.

A number of questions were put by members of the Court.

Mr. Oswald Fox, chief officer of the "Taming" since Jan. 8, 1928, gave evidence and said that he held a master's certificate. He was on watch that night and described the events leading up to the collision and the collision itself. He also described the steps he took to carry out the Captain's orders in stopping the hole in the side, emptying the ballast tank and pumping out water.

The case is proceeding.

"CONFUCIUS" SOLD.

The s.s. "Confucius," formerly a U.S. Shipping Board vessel on the Far East feeder service, and latterly engaged in the rice trade after having been bought by the Kwong Hang Hing firm, of 58 Bonham Strand, West, has again been sold and will leave shortly for Osaka where she will be used in the coal and general cargo trade between the Island of Saghalien and Japan.

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Quarantine restrictions have been imposed by Hong Kong against shipping arrivals from Saigon on account of cholera.

LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S REPORT AND
DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S RETURN.

Seventeen vessels are recorded at the Harbour Office to have arrived in this port, in the time under review ending 9 a.m. this morning. The British claim 7 arrivals, Chinese 5, Japanese 3, French and German 1 each.

Cargo imported to the Colony, although not of a very high standard is nevertheless good, the figures shown being 10,042 tons all of which is general merchandise, with the exception of 2,292 tons coal, and 58 tons oil. Goods carried by the British vessels totals 3,584 tons, and the Chinese vessels 2,458 tons.

Better figures are registered for cargo being shipped through for ports beyond, amounting to a total of 18,742 tons, 8,113 tons of which are being transported by the British vessels. A German vessel figures prominently in the list, with 5,100 tons general cargo.

With regard to the above figures, the best return for cargo imported to Hong Kong by one vessel, was shipped by the s.s. "Caravellas" from Saigon—Messrs. Optorg & Co.—2,940 tons general goods.

The highest figures obtained for cargo being shipped through for ports beyond, was registered by the s.s. "Kam Sang" from Calcutta, Singapore—Messrs. J. M. & Co.—5,027 tons general merchandise.

Passengers arrived in the Colony by the above vessel totals 1,116 persons which include 1,020 Asiatic deck, 83 Asiatic cabin, 18 European cabin. Greatest amount of passengers carried by one vessel was shown by the s.s. "Hydrangea," with 718 Asiatic cabin.

Departures.

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Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	Port
British	7	9	22
Japanese	3	4	7
Norwegian	0	2	6
Chinese	5	5	16
French	1	3	2
German	1	0	2
American	0	1	0
Italian	0	1	0
Dutch	0	0	6
Danish	0	0	2
Portuguese	0	0	2
	17	25	65

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SHUNKO MARU Thursday, 19th April.

INDO MARU Saturday, 21st April.

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JEYPORE	9,618	17th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MAHARAJA	9,618	21st Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KIDDERPORE	9,605	22nd Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MALWA	10,388	26th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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Zee. At 10 a.m. on the 10th
February the tow and tug were
sighted 170 miles S.W. of Cork
Harbour, the wind at times being
of hurricane force, so that it was
impossible to bring out a hawser.

The Seine heve, to awaiting
better weather, but at about 5 p.m.
a tremendous sea struck her
starboard quarter, immediately
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a.m.

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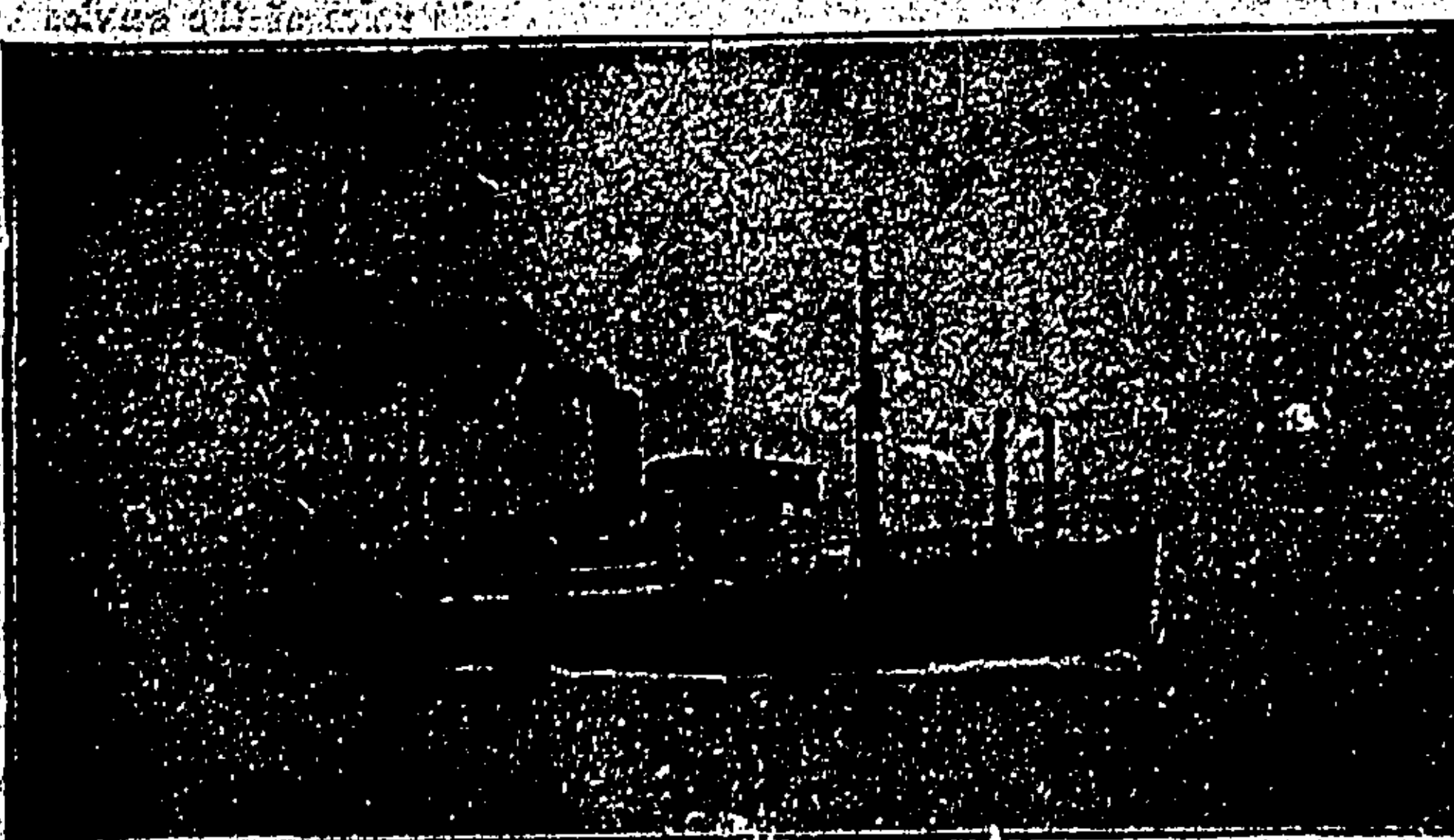
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A HEAVY PRICE.

Although there may be some sympathy to express with Daniel the individual little, we imagine, will he receive as Daniel the Naval Officer. The Court Martial sitting at Gibraltar has found him guilty on all counts and his punishment—to be dismissed his ship and to be severely reprimanded—is not as thorough as it might have been. That he was guilty of the offences alleged there was not the slightest doubt. He broke the iron rules of discipline which are an essential of naval service, and it is fairly obvious that the Court could return no other finding. Professionally, he is a finished man, his only consolation lying in the fact that he sacrificed his career to his principles. On this account, no one is likely to think the less of him, and it is, to say the least, unfortunate that the rules of the service have to run in so very rigid lines.

The whole affair is regrettable in that it has necessitated what may be termed the "washing of dirty linen" in public. There was obviously something wrong aboard H.M.S. "Royal Oak," and a point for consideration is whether the matter could not have been settled departmentally. Neither the Royal Navy nor the officers concerned have escaped a slur by the airing the squabble has received. Commander Daniel, in attempting to justify his breach of discipline, has put the conduct of a superior officer in a rather unfavourable light and has also involved a number of fellow-officers in the dispute, people who were not parties to the actual matter of contention.

With Daniel the individual there is likely to be, as indicated, a measure of sympathy. Many laymen will no doubt think he took the right course in writing the letter which has occasioned his downfall. If he has done nothing else, he has pointed out a sore spot in Naval organisation, and if conditions aboard the "Royal Oak" were as he maintains they were, and as others maintain they were, the glare of publicity may have performed a good service on behalf of the Navy—officers and men alike. Whether so or not, Commander Daniel has paid a heavy price for his action, and although it is far from our intention to pre-judge the fate of the other officer concerned—there may be more than one other before the inquiry draws to a conclusion—it looks very much as if further heavy penalties will be incurred.

Our Brave Aviators.

The distressing tragedy which yesterday occurred in the harbour, and in which three valuable lives were lost, is a sad reminder to us all of the risks that our aviators daily run. We see the machines soaring high above us, and in every respect they seem to be models of efficiency. They glide through the atmosphere with a rapidity and a certainty that never fail to arouse our admiration and, even in these days, our wonder. Nevertheless, as yesterday's tragedy poignantly reminded us, there is hardly an hour of actual flying that is wholly free of very serious danger to the gallant men employed in it. Yesterday the men and the machine that ended so disastrously had, we understand, been in the air for some two hours, during which time all kinds of useful evolutions had been performed. Everything pointed to a most successful morning's work when, just on the point of finally alighting something went wrong and in a moment brilliant achievement was transformed into bitter disaster. Every day our aviators loyally risk their lives: let us honour them always, admire and praise them in their deeds of daring; sadly and sincerely mourn for them when disaster comes.

BODY FOUND.

In connection with the accident in the harbour on March 29 when a seaman of the Netherland Harbour Works' steam launch "Tall Lee" was drowned as the result of accidentally falling overboard whilst the launch was passing "Holl's wharf" on a trip from Kowloon Bay to the Kowloon Godowns, the body of the unfortunate seaman was recovered from the harbour by the police yesterday.

BRICK QUESTIONS.

SUPREME COURT BUILDING DISPUTE.

EXPERT EVIDENCE GIVEN.

Evidence largely centred on the quality of the bricks used at the continuation at the Supreme Court this morning of the case in which the Ng Hing Co. claim \$43,253.42 from the Nam Yip Co. The sum claimed is alleged to be the balance of an amount due for work done and materials supplied.

Evidence was given this morning by Mak Chi-nam, managing partner of the To Fong firm, of 58, Queen's-road West who stated that his firm were the biggest dealers in the brick market. He himself had had twenty years' experience of brick making and dealing.

Witnesses said that the bricks principally used in Hong Kong were mostly produced in the Kwangtung district. The Nam Kong Bricks were the best quality bricks, the next being respectively Sha Wong, Tung Kong and Honam bricks. Witnesses had taken bricks from the houses involved in the present case and examined them. Some of them were Honam bricks and some were Tung Kong bricks. None of them were Nam Kong bricks. The ruling price of the bricks used, at the time in question, was about \$175 per ten thousand whereas the price ruling for Nam Kong bricks at the time was \$240 per ten thousand.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K. C. and Mr. F. C. Jenkin appear for defendant and Mr. H. G. Sheldon for plaintiff.

Defence Opened.

The case for the defence was opened by Mr. Potter at yesterday afternoon's hearing of the case. Dealing with the question of the quality of the bricks counsel said that for the first time it had been stated in court that the defendants themselves picked out the bricks and that therefore they could not blame the plaintiffs if the bricks were not up to sample. The only explanation given by the plaintiff under cross-examination with regard to this was that it had been on the tip of his tongue throughout the whole of the arbitration proceedings but that the interpreter told him not to state it until asked.

One of the disputes before the arbitrator, continued Mr. Potter, was whether the bricks supplied were of the quality desired by the contract and it would therefore be extremely important for the plaintiff to then establish what he had said for the first time in court that the defendants chose the bricks themselves.

The evidence of Mr. Anderson was of great interest on that point because he had said he only visited the shops to ascertain the prices of certain bricks. The submission for the defence was that the suggestion was entirely untrue and would have to be considered by his Lordship when they came to a conflict of evidence. They submitted that the plaintiff's story in that regard was absolutely untrue because it must have been mentioned either in the arbitration proceedings or in the correspondence. Counsel then reviewed the evidence bearing on the claim, referring to the issue of certificates, the alleged laying of foundations and the type of brick used.

ALLEGED ASSAULT.

TWO CHINESE GIRLS FALL OUT.

Two well-dressed Chinese girls figured in an alleged assault case before Major C. Wilson at the Central Magistracy this morning. Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask appeared for the complainant, whilst the defendant was represented by Mr. M. K. Lo. The girls were stated to have quarrelled outside a jeweller's shop in Lyndhurst-terrace. Mr. Lo admitted that the defendant assaulted the complainant because the latter used abusive language towards her. He suggested that the parties be both bound over. Mr. Leask disagreed with this course, whereupon Mr. Lo intimated that he would take out a cross-summons against the complainant for using abusive language towards his client. The case was adjourned.

OLD WOMAN KILLED.

A Chinese woman named Cheung Pak-woon, aged 62 years, was yesterday killed on the light railway track at Cheungshawan.

The woman who was partially blind, was crossing the line, when a light engine suddenly rounded a blind bend, and before the engine driver could apply the brake, the old woman was knocked down and run over. The wheels of the engine passed over the lower part of the unfortunate woman's body, crushing it badly. She was killed instantaneously.

The Shamshu police were communicated with and they removed the body to the public mortuary.

INDIAN WEDDING.

RELIGIOUS RITES AT BARWAHA.

AMERICAN BRIDE.

Bombay, March 17.
The first ceremony preliminary to the wedding was performed early this morning, when Miss Miller was formally admitted to the Dhangar caste, in the presence of hundreds of Dhangars.

The ceremony was simple and consisted of her accepting food which had been previously partaken of by Dhangars, including Sir Tukoji Rao, after which Miss Miller sat among the caste-women and joined them in eating and drinking.

Later, Miss Miller was adopted into the Holkar family, with due religious rites, the senior Maharane and Sir Tukoji Rao's two step-mothers welcoming her.

Ex-Ruler's Plans.

The ex-Maharaja's cold reserve in regard to his intentions and plans thawed in the course of a chat with Pressmen to-day. He said that he expected to proceed with Miss Miller on March 19, to Indore, where he would stay for a few days. Then, if it was possible to secure passages, they would proceed to Europe at an early date in order to enable Miss Miller to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

The Ceremony.

Although it is customary among Marathas for the bride to change her name on passing into her husband's family, Miss Miller will retain the name of Sharmishtha, and hereafter will be styled Her Highness the Maharane Sharmishtha Devi Holkar.

She went through all the forms of the marriage ceremony, squatting in front of the bridegroom at ease generally not betraying the least nervousness.

The palace grounds still continue to be thronged with people all of whom are unanimous that the function passed off without a hitch.

Almost all the members of the Holkar family, including the uncle of Sir Tukoji Rao, were present at the wedding. The senior Maharane was a conspicuous figure throughout, assisting in all the principal ceremonies.

The ex-Maharaja and his bride, arrayed in correct Maratha dress with the characteristic head ornaments, were the recipients of many felicitations.

Twenty-five thousand persons who witnessed the wedding broke into thunderous cheering as the two processions, headed by the bridegroom and the bride, advanced from opposite direction and met in the pavilion.

Sir Tukoji Rao and Miss Miller then seated themselves, according to the ancient custom, on wooden planks, face to face, the bride facing the east and the groom the west.

Sir Tukoji Rao appeared to be calm and absorbed but he nodded occasionally in recognition of distinguished guests.

Bride's Dress.

Miss Miller in a Benares saree of silk and gold brocade, with a diamond ring, and bangles set with brilliant, looked the part of the perfect Indian bride and went through the ceremonies serenely and gracefully. Her grandmother sat next to the bridegroom and evinced the greatest interest in the ceremonies.

The guests included many prominent Indooreans and many Europeans.

The bride and bridegroom received numerous presents, which are now being sorted and arranged for inspection.

After the tying of the wedding knot, the bride and Sir Tukoji Rao ascended a dais and worshipped the sacrificial fire.

The whole function lasted over two hours, after which the pair proceeded in a procession to the bridegroom's residence, where they worshipped Lakshmi, the Goddess of Wealth.

Preliminaries consisted of the Magani and Tila ceremonies. The Magani ceremony commenced at 7.30, with the planting of a pole. After worshipping, a deputation from the bridegroom's residence, accompanied by a procession and a guard-of-honour of Sardars and other prominent guests, waited their way to the bride's residence and formally asked the bride's "parents" for relations, wore the wedding clothes presented by the bride's parents.

Prior to this, at the bride's residence, the adoption ceremony was gone through. Devi Sharmishtha (Miss Miller) was a charming figure in a rose-coloured saree with a lace border, a pink bodice, a gold embroidered shawl, a pearl necklace and diamond bangles.

Adoption Ceremony. She was taken by Princess Tarabai as a daughter and then given for adoption to Colonel Lambhate, amidst the chanting of Mantras and the showerings of blessings by the priests.

Colonel Lambhate and his two wives received their new daughter Barawah.

WILBUR PLAYERS.

OPEN WITH A COMEDY OF RICH AND RARE MERIT

"THE SAP."

At their opening performance at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, the Wilbur Players last night presented a most amusing, clever and highly entertaining comedy entitled "The Sap," a play which, we understand, has had a very successful run in New York. If at times the action seemed to drag somewhat that made little difference to the audience's thorough appreciation, and the three acts afforded one of the best evening's entertainment of its kind ever witnessed here. The best and the sincerest comment that we can make is to recommend our readers to see the play on its second performance to-night.

"The Sap" is an American comedy of a rich and rare order, and one which most greatly appeal to all lovers of genuine and wholesome humour. And when, as is the case with the Wilbur Players, it is presented by a cast admirably chosen and highly talented, the results are very satisfactory.

Mr. N. Anthony Baker, in the title role is excellent, and it is seldom that one witnesses the work of a player so admirably sustained and consistent. The part is so original and outstanding that it somewhat overshadows those of the other members of the cast, but its humour is so rich and delightful that it cannot fail to please lovers of real comedy. Mr. Baker was excellently supported by a cast who evidently realised that they were performing in a comedy of no ordinary kind.

As Betty Small, Miss Verna Mesereau, played with that histrionic effect that marks the true artist.

To-night "The Sap" is again to be played, and we very strongly advise all who enjoy clever and wholesome humour, served up by highly competent players handling a sparkling play, to go and see the performance.

"The Sap" will be followed by "Handcuffed" to-morrow night; "Her Wedding Night" on Saturday; "Charley's Aunt" on Sunday, with song, dance and music specialties; and for a grand farewell performance, "The Family Upstairs," on Monday night. Besides the performance on Sunday night, "Charley's Aunt" will be presented as a matinee at 5.30 on Sunday afternoon, when children will be admitted at half price. Admission is at the popular prices of \$3, \$2 and \$1, and booking is at Moutrie's and the Star Theatre.

POLICE CHANGE.

Sub-Inspector Hourihan will take charge of the Shaikwan Police Station vice Sub-Inspector J. Murphy when the latter sails by the s.s. "Kalyan" on Saturday on ten months' Home leave. Sub-Inspector Murphy made his last appearance at the Central Magistracy this morning.

SMALL POX.

Six more cases of small-pox in the Colony were notified to the Medical Officer of Health yesterday. All the patients are Chinese. Two are from the city registration district and the other four are from the Kowloon district.

Small-pox occurrences have been more than usual during the last ten days or so.

ter" to whom they presented costly dresses.

Present at the adoption ceremony were the Senior-Maharane, the ex-Maharaja's step mothers and his sisters, Princess Tarabai and Miss Miller's grandmother.

The Magani ceremony concluded after an hour with the worshipping of the "Letter of Consent" of the bride's parents, which the procession returned to the bridegroom.

The Tila ceremony followed at the bridegroom's residence.

It was most elaborate, and for the most part a ladies' affair.

The ex-Maharaja, supported by his sisters and other immediate relations, wore the wedding clothes presented by the bride's parents. Vermilion powder and turmeric powder, which had been used by the bride, was then applied to the ex-Maharaja's forehead by several ladies, who received presents.

Other religious ceremonies followed, including the invoking of the Gods to witness the ceremony and to ensure successful termination of the marriage.

Maharane Absent.

Bombay, March 18.
It transpires that the junior Maharane and high officials of the State of Indore did not attend the Tukoji Rao-Miller wedding at Barawah.

RADIO TELEPHONY.

VERY SUCCESSFUL
DEMONSTRATION.

HAGUE AND BATAVIA.

The Hague, Yesterday. A demonstration of radio telephony between the Hague and Batavia over the week-end was very successful. Voices were readily recognised and there was perfect audibility in both directions.—Reuter.

WU-HAN CITIES.

ON THE EVE OF A TRADE
REVIVAL.

FOREIGN CO'S RE-OPEN.

Hankow, March 20. The most convincing example experienced this year of the decided change for the better in local labour conditions is supplied by the almost simultaneous re-opening a few days ago of the plants of the British Cigarette Co. and of the International Export Co. While as yet neither organisation will function to the same extent as formerly, the re-opening of the plants, even on a limited scale, is indicative of a return to confidence on the part of the big foreign employers of labour in the port.

No Communist Rising. Despite the fact that there are no outward indications of the long-threatened Communist rising in Hankow, the authorities continue their campaign of arrests and executions. Over the week-end, from Thursday, March 15, to Monday, March 19, the garrison firing squad added another 24 to its already big roll of victims. The opinion is held by thinking Chinese that these wholesale executions will do more to forward than to hinder the communist cause for, with the killing of each individual, there arise scores of potential communists in the persons of his friends and relatives. There is no doubt that many of the alleged Communists are convicted on the most trivial evidence.

THROAT BLESSING.

ANCIENT CITY
SERVICE.

"Through the intercession of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, may the Lord deliver thee from all evil of the throat, through Christ our Lord, Amen," were the words used by the priest of St. Etheldreda's Roman Catholic Church, Holborn, at the annual service of blessing the throats of worshippers.

According to legend, St. Blaise, who was Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia, cured a boy at the point of death from choking, owing to swallowing a fishbone, by praying and touching his throat. The ceremony of "blessing the throat" has taken place at St. Etheldreda for over fifty years.

Wearing a red stole, which is the liturgical colour for the feast of a martyr, the Rector (Father Roe), after Mass, asked all those who suffered from affections of the throat, or who wished their throats to remain healthy, to come to the altar rails. Many people responded, and holding two crossed lighted candles in his hand he touched the throat of each one with the end of the candles and repeated the prayer.

The Norddeutscher-Lloyd is equipping all its Atlantic liners with a small inhalation apparatus, the discovery of a Munich doctor, which is described as a certain preventive of sea sickness.

C.P.O. CHARGED.

SEQUEL TO MOTOR CAR
DRIVE.

ALLEGED MANSLAUGHTER.

The hearing was continued before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon of the case in which Chief Petty Officer William George Kelsey of H.M.S. "Ambrose" is charged with the alleged manslaughter of a Chinese whilst driving public motor car No. 313 in Connaught-road Central in the early hours of March 25 last, and two offences against local traffic regulations.

The Chinese driver of the motor car who gave evidence yesterday morning, was cross-examined by Mr. Hugh-Jones (for the defence) in the afternoon.

Having stated in his evidence in chief that Kelsey drove the car at over 40 miles per hour, the witness now said that he calculated the speed at between 20 and 30 miles, Kelsey accelerating to 30 miles just before the accident.

Answering further questions, the witness said that the car never swerved right up to the collision with the deceased. When it was suggested that in that event the car must have collided with a tram standard which stood near to the edge of the Praya, the witness said that the car passed between the standard and the Praya wall.

Mr. Lindsell remarked that this was highly improbable, as there was only a space of about ten feet there. The witness then said that the car swerved round the standard on the inside and then got back to its original position near the sea side of the road.

This led Mr. Hugh-Jones to remark that the witness was the most accomplished liar they ever had in the witness box.

In the course of further examination, the witness again got hopelessly mixed up when he asserted that although he was then engaged in pulling hard at the brake at the time of the accident, he observed how the man was knocked down by the car. The man was hit by the right front mud-guard and the bumper struck his head.

Mr. Hugh-Jones remarked that the deceased must have been hit whilst at prayer for the bumper to strike his head. Besides, if such an extraordinary thing did happen, the man must have been run over by the wheels of the car.

At a further stage in the case, Mr. Hugh-Jones intimated to the Magistrate that the case for the defence was that to the best of the defendant's knowledge the deceased was not struck by the car, unless he was struck by the back of the car. His suggestion was that owing to the threadbare condition of the tyres the back wheels reacted to the hard application of the brake and swerved sharply to the right.

Dr. Craig of the Government Civil Hospital described the injuries on the dead Chinese, and said that they were consistent with a fall except abrasions on the back.

In cross-examination by Mr. Hugh-Jones, the doctor said that this particular injury on the back could have been by the man falling with a heavy load on his shoulder. That load would have made the fall heavier.

The case was adjourned until tomorrow afternoon.

FALSE CHOP.

According to a report made to the police by Tang Kai the master of the Tai Hing shop of No. 119, Second-street, West Point, yesterday, a foki of the shop named Li Hee is alleged to have collected the sum of \$60 from various other shops by means of a false chop, and absconded with the money.

AN OPIUM TALE.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION
PROVED.

A "GIFT."

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, a Chinese named Lai Loi and his male servant were charged with the unlawful possession of three tael of prepared non-Government opium worth \$24 on the Ping On wharf yesterday.

Mr. M. K. Lo, who appeared for the defence, said that Lai Loi was prepared to admit ownership of the opium. Mr. Lo said that Lai was to have gone to the country on the s.s. "Tai Lee" and a friend who was interested in opium in Macao made him a present of the three taels for his own consumption. When the servant was found with the opium in his possession, Lai came forward and admitted that he had given the drug to the "boy" to carry on board.

Proceeding, Mr. Lo said that this was not a case of smuggling the opium for personal gain. It was for Lai's personal consumption, and in the circumstances Mr. Lo suggested that the Magistrate should not impose the maximum penalty. There was nothing against Lai's character, and he (Mr. Lo) personally knew Lai's father who is a respectable local merchant.

Mr. Lo also suggested that in view of Lai assuming all responsibility with regard to the opium, the police would see fit to withdraw against the servant.

Boy Discharged.

Inspector Spear said in reply to the Magistrate that he was prepared to accept the position as put forward by Mr. Lo.

Mr. Lindsell accordingly discharged the "boy" remarking that he should remember for the future that he was entitled to refuse when his master asked him to do anything which was illegal.

With regard to Lai, the Magistrate told Mr. Lo that the Court must not lose sight of the fact that one of the purposes of the Ordinance was to protect the revenue.

Mr. Lo agreed, but submitted that his Worship must make a distinction between smuggling for gain and for personal consumption as in this case, as after all, it was the former class of smugglers that the Ordinance particularly wished to get at.

Mr. Lindsell imposed a fine of \$200.

CINEMA NOTES.

ELINOR GLYN FILM AT THE
STAR.

Elinor Glyn's novel, "Love's Blindness," has been transferred to the screen in a film that will be shown at the Star Theatre from to-day to Saturday, the continuous performance lasting from 2.30 to 8.30 each day. A carefully chosen cast, headed by Pauline Starke, Antonio Moreno, and Lilian Tashman, interprets the story, which is set in a background of English aristocracy. The locale of the story shifts between London and baronial country estates, affording opportunity for a brilliant display of the diversions and routine of smart society. The settings are lavish, particularly the country estate, whose furnishings and decorations were personally chosen by Mme. Glyn herself.

"FLESH AND THE DEVIL."

A replica of the Berlin central railway station of the day, complete to the trains, and faithful reproductions of picturesque old castles of the Rhine are features of "Flesh and the Devil," the big film which is to be seen at the Queen's Theatre to-day and tomorrow. John Gilbert, the star of "The Big Parade," Greta Garbo,

ITALIAN CONVENT.

SCHOOL AWARDS PRESENTED
YESTERDAY.

EXCELLENT RESULTS.

Awards gained during the year by students of the school under the aegis of the Italian Convent, were distributed yesterday by the Rev. Father Spada, Vicar Delegate.

The headmistress submitted her report for the year and Father Parisotti, Catholic military chaplain, addressed the gathering, congratulating the Conventian Sisters on their efforts.

The annual report stated that the highest enrolment during the year was 425 pupils. The Inspector of English Schools had stated that the tone of the school was good throughout, its discipline excellent and the pupils bright and interested in their work whilst the report of the medical officer furnished parents with a guarantee that the health of their children was properly safeguarded and well looked after. Excellent examination results had been obtained.

The Headmistress made an appeal for greater interest in the education of girls on the part of gentlemen who were in a position to found scholarships.

The prize winners were as follows:

Upper Classes.

Bishop's prize for Biblical knowledge, Miss Olga Rozario.

Lugard scholarship for the years 1928-1929, Miss Cissy Leong.

Lady Ho Tung Scholarships for good conduct and application for the year 1927, Misses Carmen Vas and Amanda Albuquerque.

Class 1.

Matriculation—Esther Ng, (1st Prize); Marie Basto; Cissy Wong.

Senior local certificates and prizes—Della Tossan (Honours, 1st Prize); Conchita Millan, (Distinction in Spanish, 2nd Prize); Mary Chan, (Distinction in English); Olga Rozario; Lucy Tossan; Emily Tam; Carmen Vas.

Class 2.

Junior local certificates and prizes—Hercia Silva, (1st Prize); Maria Vas; (2nd Prize); Amanda Albuquerque (Distinction in Biblical knowledge); Lily Cheung, (Distinction in Biblical knowledge); Annie Tse, (Distinction in needlework); Alice West; Lily Tam; Mafalda Geng; Miquelina Rew; May de la Sain; Cissy Tse.

SYD CHAPLIN.

FUNNY FILM AT THE
WORLD THEATRE.

Syd Chaplin is drawing good crowds to the World Theatre with that outstanding picture of his "Oh, What a Nurse." Following "The Man on the Box," Chaplin has established himself as a female impersonator of note. This later film, as was the first of its kind, is remarkable for Syd's clever and expressive acting; he must be the world's supreme dumb motion picture artist. He undertakes two female roles, that of a rumrunner in disguise and that of a nurse and, of course, the picture is full of comic incidents. "Oh, What a Nurse" is replete with laughs and does not drag anywhere.

herpene of "The Temptress" and Lars Hanson, the Swedish star, are the leading players in this vivid adaptation of "The Undying Past" by Hermann Sudermann. The huge cast also includes George Fawcett, Barbara Kent, Eugenie Besserer and other noted players. The picture was directed by Clarence Brown who made "The Eagle," "Flesh and the Devil" is a remarkable picture which should not be missed.

Shadows Before

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED
IN THE "MAIL"

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Flesh and the Devil."

To-day—World Theatre; "Oh What a Nurse."

April 4—Star Theatre; "Love's Blindness, 2.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m., on April 6, to 11.15 p.m.; The Wilbur Players in "The Sap," at 9.15 p.m.

April 5—Star Theatre; Wilbur Players in "Handcuffed," 9.15 p.m. April 5—"Cheer O" dance, 7.30 p.m.

April 6—World Theatre; "Forlorn River."

April 6—Queen's Theatre; "The Shield of Honour."

April 7—Star Theatre; Wilbur Players in "Her Wedding Night," 9.15 p.m.

April 7—Sing song at "Cheer O," 7.30 p.m.

April 8—Star Theatre; Wilbur Players in "Charley's Aunt," 5.30 and 9.15 p.m.

April 8—Musical entertainment at "Cheer O," 7.30 p.m.

April 9—Star Theatre; Wilbur Players in "Three Live Ghosts," 5.30 p.m.; and in "The Family Upstairs," 9.15 p.m.

April 26—St. Peter's Club concert in St. John's Cathedral Hall.

Sports.

To-day, 12—Steeplechase meeting, Mr. Souza's hungalow, 2.45 p.m.

To-day—Army yacht races, in connection with the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, for the "Brown" Cup.

To-day—"Cheer O" whistle drive, 7 p.m.

April 7 & 9—Third extra race meeting of the H.K. Jockey Club, Happy Valley, 2.30 p.m.

April 8, 29—Fanning Hunt meet at Mai Po village, 7 a.m.

April 11—Fanning Hunt, Hunter's Arms, 2.45 p.m.

Lammer's Auction.

April 5—At Sales Room, a valuable collection of curios, 2.30 p.m.

April 5—A valuable collection of postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

Land Sale.

April 10—At P.W.D. Offices, one lot of Crown Land at Kowloon, 3 p.m.

Meetings.

To-day—Annual meeting of Hong Kong Baseball Assn., U.S. Consulate-General, 5.30 p.m.

April 11—Third annual meeting of Hong Kong Telephone Co., Ltd., at Exchange-bldg., Des Voeux-rd., Ctl., (2nd floor), noon.

April 12—Annual meeting of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., at Exchange-bldg., Des Voeux-rd., Ctl., noon.

April 13—Yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Realty & Trust Co., Ltd., Exchange-bldg., at noon.

April 14—General meeting of members of The Prince's Bldg. & Land Co., Ltd. (in liquidation), 6, Des Voeux-rd. Ctl., noon.

April 14—Sixth annual meeting of the Hong Kong Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd., St. George's-bldg., 11 a.m.

April 20—Annual meeting of members of the Victoria Recreation Club at V.R.C., 6 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

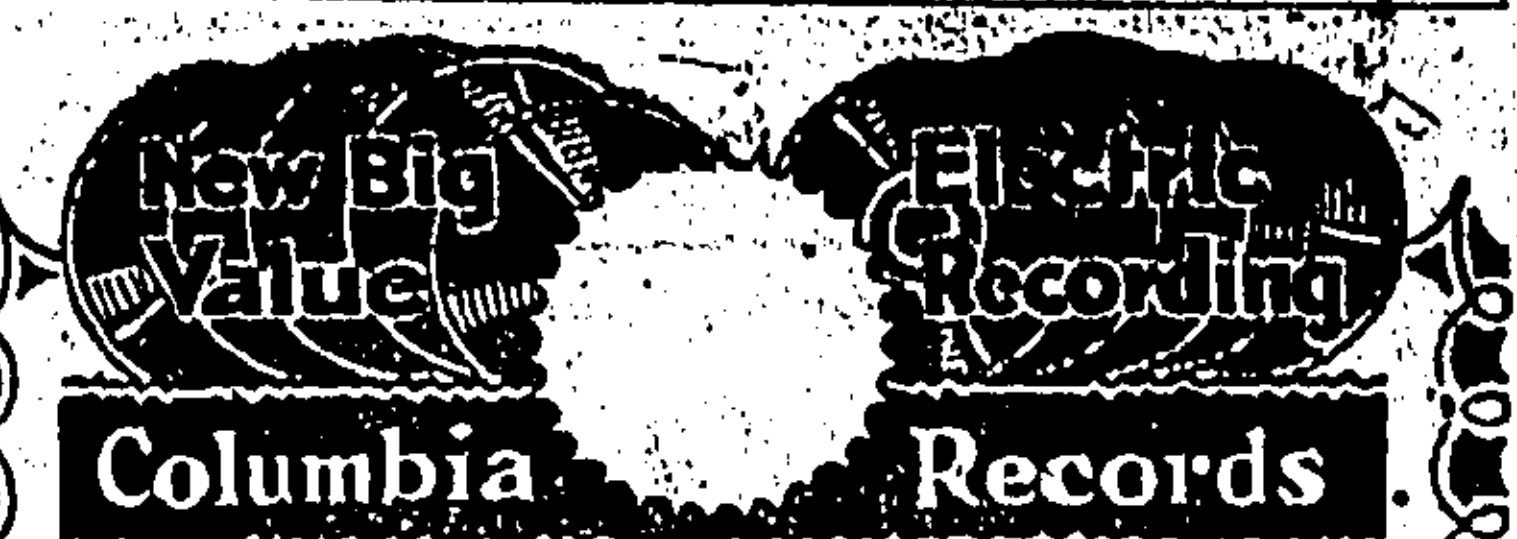
To-day—Closing of the Lenten Mission at the Catholic Cathedral by the Rev. G. Byrne, S.J., Subject: "The Catholic Religion." Text: "Going, therefore, teach Ye All Nations" (Matt. XXVIII, 10), 6 p.m.

April 14—Diocesan Boys' School "at Home" from 3.30 to 6.30 p.m.

April 14—Eighth annual dinner of the Q.C.O.B. Assn. at Queen's College Hall, 8 p.m.

April 16—St. Peter's Club's last debate of the season. Subject: "That a Home Life is preferable to a 'Roving Life'."

April 17—Annual inspection of the Hong Kong Police, Murray parade ground.



HUMOROUS RECORDS

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NAPOLÉON ... " "
9205 THE CHARGE OF THE LIGHT
BRIGADE ... " "
NO POWER ON EARTH ... " "
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THING-UM MY-BOB ... " "
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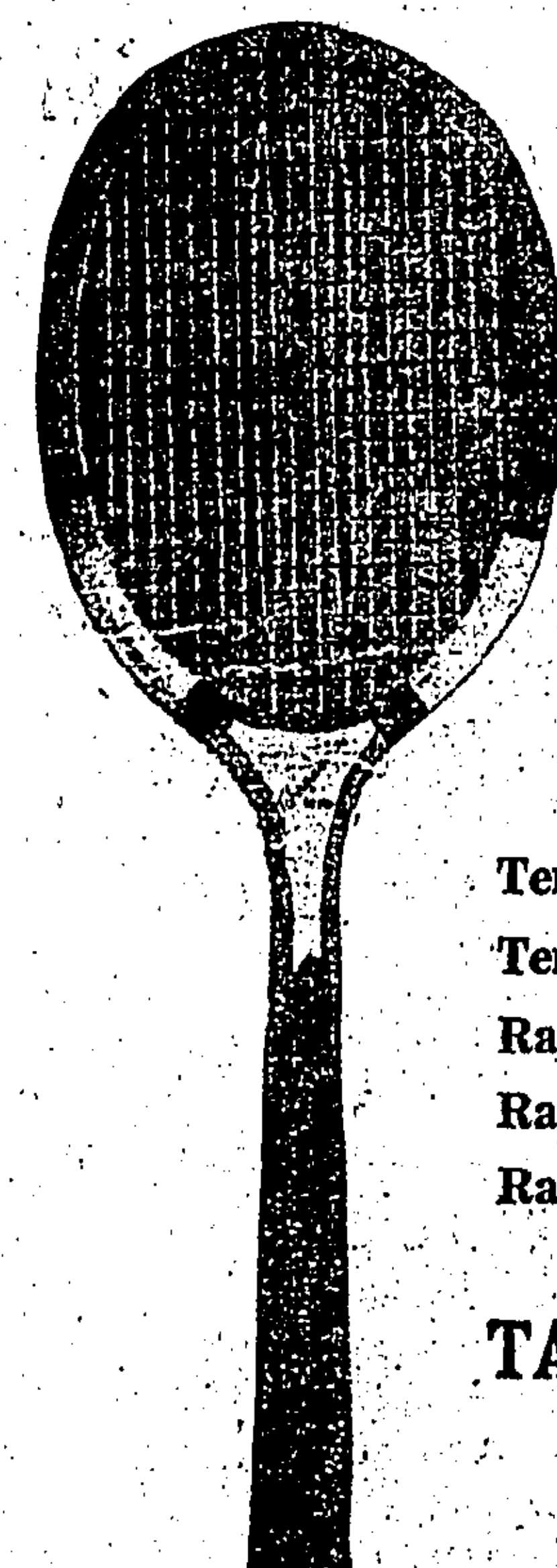
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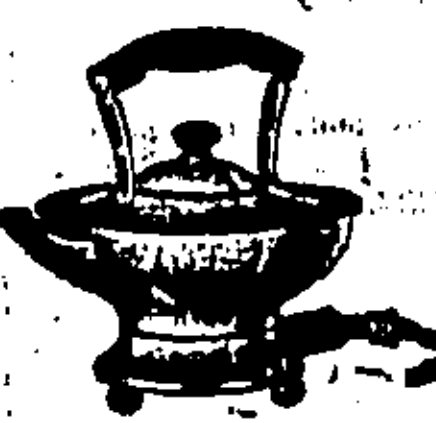
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To-morrow is Maundy Thursday.

An air mail and passenger service
between Iquique, Antofagasta, and
Valparaiso is under negotiation.

It is claimed that Mr. William
Little, of Penrith, Cumberland, who
is 95 years old, is the oldest free-
mason in England.

The Law and Commerce Society
of the University will hold a dinner
in Messrs. Lane, Crawford's
restaurant at 8 p.m. to-morrow.

Concrete paving was displaced in
Victoria-street and the Strand,
Derby, by foul gases exploding in
the electricity mains.

The "Canton Gazette," published
in English, re-appeared on Monday
after a lapse of about a year. Mr.
Chan Yick-chi is the present Editor,
in the absence of Mr. H. C. Lee.



Captain Malcolm Campbell, who
set a new world's auto record of
208.5 miles an hour at Daytona
Beach, Florida.

The King's silver cup was won at
the annual ploughing match, at the
Home Farm of Aberfeldie Mains,
by John Henderson, junior, of
Braehead Tullich, Ballater.

Known as the Westminster Glee
Singers, ten men and six boys, from
the choir of St. Paul's, West-
minster Abbey, St. George's, Wind-
sor and Southwark, have gone from
Liverpool to New York.

The attention of theatre-goers is
drawn to the fact that there will
be no performance by the Wilbur
Players in the Star Theatre on
Friday night. The big London
comedy, "Three Live Ghosts" will
be presented as a matinee on
Monday afternoon.

His thirty-third child has just
been born to a Bavarian farmer-
innkeeper of Landeshut. All the
children are alive and in good
health. In recording the arrival of
the latest addition to this large
family, the parents are described as
the "bewildered father" and the
"delighted mother."

Passengers on the Blue Funnel
"Aeneas" which left Hong Kong
for Home via Singapore and ports
yesterday were Mr. and Mrs.
D. G. M. Bernard, Mr. and Mrs. R.
Guy Wilkeson, Mrs. C. L. Sanders,
Mr. R. E. Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs.
W. A. Cornell, Mrs. McCall, Mr.
and Mrs. W. R. Andrews, Mrs.
E. W. James, Lt.-Com. and Mrs.
H. C. Millett.

H.E. the High Commissioner
certainly loves an adventure. His
latest exploit was to be catapulted
in a seaplane from the British
cruiser "Vindictive." The device,
details of which are private, en-
ables the seaplane to leave the
ship at flying speed. The
"Vindictive" has left for Home
after two years on the China
Station—"Malay Mail."

The case was concluded before
Major C. Wilson at the Central
Magistrate's yesterday in which Mr.
Savado was summoned for reck-
less driving on Stubbs-road, by
passing a leading car which was
driven by a lady learner driver,
who was accompanied by Mr. E. R.
Dovey, who gave evidence for the
prosecution. The Magistrate found
Mr. Savado guilty of the offence
charged against him and imposed a
fine of \$50. Mr. Savado intimated
that he would appeal against the
fine, but later, made another ap-
pearance in Court and asked to be
allowed time to pay the fine. He
was given until 4 p.m. to bring the
money into Court.

Mr. H. Ghulam Sarwar, Civil
District Judge, Singapore, is going
on leave for six months.

The Queen's College Old Boys'
Association dinner takes place in
the College Hall on Saturday,
April 14 at 8 p.m.

Battersea Council propose to
start a light treatment centre for
their maternity, child welfare, and
tuberculosis work.

The leave of Mr. H. V. Townner,
Colonial Engineer, S.S., has been
extended to Sept. 8 of this year, or
thereabouts.

H.H. the Rance of Sarawak and
her two daughters are visiting
Kuala Lumpur. She is the guest
of Mr. P. B. Ford and expects to
be there about a fortnight.

Mr. V. V. Lemberger, who was
for many years managing director
of United Engineers, Ltd., Singa-
pore, has joined the ranks of the
Benedictines and, with his wife, will
visit Malaya very shortly.

The marriage took place on
Feb. 9 at Forest Hills, New York,
of Dr. James Bernard Charles
Delehanty, formerly of Drs. Crago
and Hanna, dental surgeons, Kuala
Lumpur, and Miss Maude Elisabeth
Kernan, daughter of Mrs. Maude
Morris Kernan, of New York.

Seven Chinese cases of notifiable
disease were reported to the Medi-
cal Officer of Health on Monday.
There was one case of cerebro-
spinal fever in the city registra-
tion district and one of enteric
fever (typhoid) also from the city,
but the patient is not a resident.
Of five cases of small-pox, four
were from Kowloon and the other
from the city.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yester-
day, Mr. W. Schofield had before
him three Chinese shoemakers
charged with the unlawful posses-
sion of seditious literature at
No. 97, Woosung-street, Yau-mat.
Amongst the exhibits in Court
were documents advocating the
massacre of land-owners and land-
lords, and posters decrying the
"destructive influence" of the three
principles of the Kuomintang. The
case was adjourned.



Sir William Berry, who with his
brother, Sir George Berry, control
the majority of newspapers outside
of London, England, who are being
challenged by Viscount Rothermere,
in what England believes will be
its greatest newspaper war. Vis-
count Rothermere has just an-
nounced the flotation of a £37,500,
000 enterprise to establish evening
papers in the same cities in which
the Berry group operates. Viscount
Rothermere, formerly controlled
virtually all the papers owned by
Lord Northcliffe, but sold them to
the Berry organization.

Dr. Gilbert Brooke, Chief
Medical Officer, who is shortly leav-
ing for Sarawak, was the guest of
honour at an "At Home" given by
the students of the College of
Medicine, when, wires a Singapore
correspondent, H.E. the Governor
(Sir Hugh Clifford) presented to
Dr. Brooke the honorary diploma
of the College, pointing out that he
joined the public service thirty-one
years ago, and had always develop-
ed a wide love for the work of
varied character which had dis-
tinguished him.

Capt. W. G. Lalor, whose name
was much to the fore recently when
he was captured by pirates when in
command of the China Navigation
s.s. "Siam," and carried into the
interior, passed through the
Colonial yesterday on his way Home
by the s.s. "Aeneas." Capt. Lalor, it
will be remembered, was also in
the Wanshan affair of August,
1928, when H.M. Navy interfered
and prevented the attempt of
Yang Sen's troops forcibly to take
possession of the island.

The name of Mr. J. S. M. Rennie
has been added to the list of
Justices of the Peace for Singa-
pore.

Mr. O. V. L. Hough, Asst.
Superintendent, Chandu Monopoly,
Ipoh, is resigning at the end of this
month.

Mr. Justice Thorne is on a visit
to Kuala Lumpur and is staying
with Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland
Graeme.

The appointment of Dr. A. G. H.
Smart as Senior Health Officer,
Penang, is announced in the S.S.
"Government Gazette."

The staff of the Government
Health Department, Singapore, are
entertaining Dr. Gilbert Brooke,
their chief, at a tea party at Raffles
School.



Miss Mary C. Duffy, of Newark,
N. J., Supreme Regent of the Cath-
olic Daughters of America, who is
protesting the proposed Federal
Board of Education, declaring that
"education in the United States
will be thrown back a thousand
years if the bill for the education
board passes Congress, and the
President."

Baths costing \$20,000 are to be
built at Llaymain Pits, North
Wales, by the colliery owners and
Miners' Welfare Fund Committee.

Mr. A. E. Odell, of the Europe
Hotel, Singapore, was a passenger
to Europe by the "Kashmir," and
will be away from Singapore for
about eight months.

Mr. K. C. Caldicott, Senior Dis-
trict Engineer, F.M.S. Railways,
has taken charge of the Ipoh dis-
trict section. Mrs. Caldicott has
just returned from Home.

After falling 100 feet into the
Tyne from the new bridge, at
Gateshead, Nathaniel Collins, a
South Shields workman, was got
out alive, but died in hospital.

Barking Education Committee's
scheme for free week-end camps
for school children who would other-
wise not have summer holidays has
been approved by the Board of
Education.

Dr. Chen Su-lan left Singapore
by the "Morea" en route for the
United States, where he will be
the lay delegate from Malaya at
the General Conference of the
Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. A. P. Granna, of Cheviot
estate, Labu, R. Campbell, of Third
Mile estate, Seremban, and Mr.
A. D. Lay, of Sungai Mahang
estate, Nilai, proceed on Home
leave in the near future.

Tipton (Staffs) licensing justices
announce that managers of public-
houses must be wholly employed
thereon, and must be paid a wage
sufficient to maintain them in
respectability and comfort.

The latest printings of contem-
porary "British Colonial" postage
stamps on Script C. A. watermark-
ed paper include the 2 cents and 8
cents values of Johore in new
colours—namely, green and purple
and brown respectively.

Lieutenant R. A. Laing, of the
Selangor Fire Brigade, was enter-
tained to a farewell dinner at the
Colonial Restaurant by the volun-
teer section of the Brigade, in view
of his departure on leave, on the
2nd inst. On the 1st inst. he
left for Malaya, where he will be
turn to Malaya accompanied by his
wife.

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Sport Columns

ARMY VICTORY.

MALAYA CHINESE SOCCER INTERPORT XI.

4 GOALS IN SECOND HALF.

After a blank first half, the Army beat the Malaya Chinese Interport soccer XI by four goals to nil yesterday on the Hong Kong F.C. ground.

Occasionally the visiting centre-forward was dangerous but the local soldiers were superior in every department. Teams:—

The Army:—Anderson (2nd K.O.S.B.); Hurst (2nd Scots Guards); Martin (2nd K.O.S.B.); Carswell (2nd Scots Guards); Sims (R.A.M.C.); Hill (1st Queen's); Campbell (2nd K.O.S.B.); Aird (2nd Scots Guards); Leach (R.A.); McGlinchey (2nd K.O.S.B.); Pte. Alexander (2nd K.O.S.B.).

Malaya Chinese:—Ah Keng; Yeoh Sun, Chiang Seng; Foh Kiat, Boon Lay, Keng Kwee; P. Young; Koh Yim, Young Liang, Choon Lim, Keng Pak.

Referee: Mr. Ip Kau-ko (Chinese Athletic Association).

Leach scored two goals in the second half. Between his first and second score, Alexander and Aird also found the mark.

Other Activities.

The visitors' last fixture locally is against the Royal Navy. Tonight they go to Canton. Tomorrow they will be received by the Kwangtung Amateur Athletic Federation and will play Canton. Last night they attended the Wilbur Players' show at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, as guests of the Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation.

League Match To-day.

A fixture in division I. of the H.K. Football League for 5 p.m. to-day is:—Club de Rekreio v. 2nd Batt. Scots Guards, King's Park. Referee: Mr. Baldwin.

HOW THE ARMY WON.

Strong and Weak Points in the Chinese XI.

[By "Rover"]

The Army, on winning the toss, defended the eastern goal and Malaya kicked-off, but Sims robbed the inside-right and put forward. Young Liang raised the enthusiasm of the crowd with clever play, being dispossessed.

The Army, however, were the first to be dangerous and Alexander forced a behind. From the kick-off, the Chinese attacked brightly and Young Liang was conspicuous with very clever play, bursting through on his own, but his final effort went behind.

The Army were playing a quiet game at this stage and up-and-down play favoured neither side. Liang fed P. Young (outside right) very cleverly, the winger returning, and the Chinese nearly scored, the ball going through Martin's legs and the Army had a narrow escape.

The Army gradually re-asserted themselves and Campbell, with a great opening, sent the ball over top shot which went behind. Leach headed in in good style. The Army were now attacking strongly and a red-hot chance to them came to Aird who kicked straight at Keng, the Chinese goalie saving.

The Chinese XI now put in some pretty work, Liang feeding Keng Pak nicely but the left winger parted too soon and the Army cleared, Hirst being in good trim. China came again and Liang was right through, a corner resulting, but the Army cleared this well and troubled the Chinese defence, Hill sending Ah Keng's hot hand which the goalie cleared nicely.

The Army now played up strongly, and great shots by Leach and Campbell were only just cleared, the Army at this stage gradually gaining the upper hand. A stoppage to allow Hill to recover. In some very warm exchanges was followed by a brilliant bit of football by Koh Yim (inside right) who beat several opponents in fine style, but the Army were now controlling the game and only fine kicking by Chiang and Yeoh saved the Chinese goal which was experiencing severe pressure.

The Chinese forwards started a pretty movement but the left wing again parted, with the ball too quickly and a good chance was lost.

The interval arrived with no score.

The Chinese XI had made a good show against the strong Army side, but from the kick-off in the second half, the Army pressed and Campbell shot hard, but the shot was charged down.

Liang got right through again for the Malaya team, but was forced to shoot behind right on the goal line; and Sims did some good defensive work just here, sending Alexander off who hit the side of the Chinese net with a good effort.

The Chinese made a spirited attack and P. Young (outside right) dribbled cleverly right through the defence, and lifted the ball over Anderson, but Hirst with a back header made a great save. The Army broke away to the other end where Leach, with his back to the goal, screwed a lovely goal past Keng and the Army were one up.

The Army now pressed very strongly and McGlinchey sent the ball forward to Aird who passed to Campbell and the winger taking the ball in his stride centred finely, Alexander capping a fine effort with a smart goal.

The Army were now masters of the situation and Aird scored No. 3 close in with a splendid shot from a centre by Alexander which the Chinese backs missed.

The Malaya XI fell away and, excepting for an occasional burst by the "outside right" and smart forward dashes by Liang, the Army controlled the game and Aird was nearly through after a faulty clearance by Ah Keng.

The Army added to their lead, Leach meeting a centre perfectly with his head, leaving Keng helpless.

The Army played strongly to the end and Malaya retired well beaten by 4 goals to nil.

Up to a certain point Malaya played very good football and in the early stages, Liang (the crack centre-forward), in two good bursts, was almost through and should have scored with one attempt as the defence was well beaten.

The Army started slowly and Malaya nearly took the lead as a result, but once the Army took the lead they were much superior. The visitors were brilliant in flashes, but some of their work was very poor. The wingers parted too quickly with the ball, and often centred too quickly gaining no ground while Anderson had very few real shots to stop.

The backs started shakily but settled down and towards the end were playing fine football. Ah Keng kept a good goal despite the score and Chiang and Yeoh kicked very neatly. Boon Lay at centre-half was variable; some of his work being very good, but he was given a big task by the Army forwards. Liang at centre-forward was the favourite with the crowd and is a very clever player, of the Gosano type, but was not given much chance of shooting.

Koh Yim at inside-right did many clever things and Young and Keng Pak on the wings were very speedy but their finishing was not first-class. The team's best points were speed and kicking and they were much lighter than the strong Army side and this told in the end.

The Army played the same XI which represented them on Saturday against the Civilians in the M.C.L. charity match and, on this showing, are not likely to make many changes against China in the Lai Wah Cup on Friday.

Anderson had a fairly easy time in goal. Hirst was much the better of the backs and saved several critical situations. His partner was not so prominent but did many good things. The half-back line, with Sims watching Liang very closely, were a strong lot and Carswell helped the attack with some clever kicking in the second half. The Army forward line, especially in the second half, were just right. Leach gave a polished display at centre-forward, and Alexander and Campbell were very lively on the respective wings.

The insides, McGlinchey and Aird, passed with judgment. On this form the Army will be a difficult team to beat. The match was very interesting, the difference in styles of the two teams being most marked, but on the day's play the Military side were the better team, and kept the ball much lower than their opponents, the Army's forward work at times being of a high standard.

The Malaya XI should meet the Royal Navy to-day, on the Club ground at 4.30 p.m., but owing to the tragic Naval disaster which occurred yesterday, it is improbable the match will take place.

Later.

The match will not be played.

CUP MATCH ATTENDANCES.

London, Mar. 24.

There were 73,000 spectators at the Huddersfield-Sheffield United match on the Manchester United ground this afternoon, where a draw of two all resulted. This attendance equals the ground record for the Bolton-Sheffield United match in the English Cup semifinal on the same date five years ago.

There was a smaller attendance at Leicester, where 40,000 spectators saw Rosecamp score the goal which dismissed Arsenal from the competition.

LAWN TENNIS.

ANNUAL TOURNAMENT AT H.K.C.C.

TUSSLE IN DOUBLES.

The Fincher brothers had a hard tussle yesterday in the open doubles championships of the H.K.C.C. annual lawn tennis tournament. They were better and more forceful than their opponents, K. T. San and Chong Tuck-wing, but the latter pair's steadiness was not quite good enough. After each pair had won a set, the losers led 5-2 in the third which they ultimately lost at 10-12 and then the winners took the fourth set as well.

Yesterday's Results.
Open Doubles (2nd Round):—E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher beat K. T. San and Chong Tuck-wing 6-4, 5-7, 12-10, 6-3; E. de Sousa and A. V. Remedios beat T. Fujieda and Y. Hachiuma, 6-4, 6-2, 3-6, 6-1.
Handicap Doubles (2nd round):—H. V. Parker and O. J. Shannon (rec. 5/6) beat A. B. Raworth and J. D. Humphreys (owe 5/6) 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

Mixed Doubles:—S. E. Green and Miss Heard (scr.) beat Lt. J. B. H. Kealy and Miss Luard (scr.) 6-2, 6-3.

To-day's Fixtures.

Open Singles (3rd round):—Ng Sze-kwong v. J. M. da Silva; A. H. Crook v. H. Yoshida.

Open Doubles:—R. Hancock and Dr. R. E. Tottenham v. S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain.

Handicap Singles "B" (3rd round):—T. G. Bennett (rec. 1/6) v. J. Wilkie (rec. 5/6); H. V. Parker (rec. 15) v. A. C. Howell (rec. 1/6).

Mixed Doubles:—Mrs. C. P. F. James and A. D. Humphreys (owe 15/8) v. Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Grove (scr.).

Ladies' Hard Court.

The Ladies' Recreation Club hard court singles championship dates will be announced on April 10. Entries close to Mrs. J. Craig, c/o Government Civil Hospital, on Saturday.

HIS ARTERIES.

AN ATHLETE WHO LOOKS AT THEM.

Medical men and athletes are interested in an experiment by Dr. Adolphe Abrahams, of Westminster Hospital, brother of H. M. Abrahams, the famous athlete.

Dr. Abrahams had an artery removed from his arm to see if his 27 years of strenuous athletics had led to a deterioration of the arteries. The artery was found to be in normal condition.

It is Dr. Abrahams' intention to let another period go by, say ten, fifteen or twenty years, when the experiment will be repeated by having another artery taken out for examination.

"That is," Dr. Abrahams laughed, "if I am still alive."

"It was not much of an operation," he said. "I wanted to see if anyone who has done a great deal of exercise for a good number of years shows by the condition of his arteries the ill effects one hears about from time to time."

"As far as one can say, there was no alteration, no deterioration. The artery taken out was the same as any other artery of any normal man."

"Only The Beginning."

"An experiment of this kind I regard as only the beginning of work that should be done on a larger scale. There are not many men who keep up exercise into middle life and after. Accordingly, there is not a great deal of material to experiment upon."

Mr. H. M. Abrahams said: "I don't think there is any evidence to show that I know of, at any rate—which suggests that athletics are injurious to health, provided always a man is fit. It is never possible to give a final and definite opinion."

"The real danger in a strenuous life of athletic competition is the psychological effect. When you go in for four or five years of competitions of one kind and another you are in the public eye and always wondering whether you are going to beat the other fellow."

"That is where the extra strain comes in. It takes some mental effort to readjust your personal balance to the situation."

VARSITY SPORTS.

A New Hurdles Record.

London, Mar. 24.
Cambridge had an easy win in the annual inter-Varsity athletic meeting to-day, winning eight events to Oxford's three. The Dark Blues only won the pole jump, high jump, and three miles.

An outstanding performer among the Cambridge representatives was Weightmann-Smith who, after equalling the Varsity record for the 220 yards hurdles (24.4-5ths), established a new record of 15.5-10ths, thus beating the record of 15.5-10ths established by Lord Burghley in 1925.

IRONED OUT.

IRON BUX IN RING AT SHANGHAI.

MARINE'S SUCCESS.

Shanghai, March 30.
Making his first appearance here as a member of the Fighting Fourth Regiment of the United States Marine Corps, Jack Mahoney, welterweight ace from Tientsin, out-battled, out-generalized and out-slugged Max Jim, hard-hitting Spaniard, in their 10-round headliner at the Carlton Cafe last night. Mahoney's victory was clean-cut. He took every one of the 10 rounds. On several occasions, it seemed that he must floor the Spaniard with a terrific battering without going down. He was game but beaten by a cleverer, cooler fighter. Mahoney used his left with tremendous effect in countering and his right to great advantage in the fighting, to gain a popular victory.

The house, which was fairly large, was in an excellent frame of mind when the two headliners climbed through the ropes. They had just seen Battling Lara and Young Riddle meet for the third time and stage the best scrap the two ever have put up. They went eight murderous rounds, Lara hitting oftener but Riddle slugging harder. Lara was awarded the decision along with a tremendous ovation from an audience which he and Riddle had kept on its toes throughout their fight.

Mahoney Confident.

Jack Mahoney and Max Jim both were 145 pounds. They started going in the first round. Max Jim did the leading but couldn't connect while Jack was countering beautifully with left hooks that stung. There was considerable clinching but Jack was to be seen fighting all the time, raining rights and lefts to the solar plexus. The second round was even better. Both swung hard for a kayo. Mahoney was making Max Jim miss but was himself slapping in lefts and rights that steadily increased his lead.

Mahoney was as cool as a chunk of ice and surprised all who saw him at work in the gymnasium. There he was timing not too well. In the ring last night, he seldom missed and each time he hit, he hurt as Max Jim's nearly-closed right eye and his generally battered face and body showed. Mahoney forged still further ahead in the third and again in the fourth. Max Jim connected with a right but had to take many hooks in return. The rate of exchange at this stage was about four to one in Mahoney's favour but he bettered his average in the closing rounds.

Wild Fifth Round.

The fifth was a fierce round. The fireworks started with the bell. He drove the Spaniard into the ropes with a rain shower of blows. The Barcelona boy was on the retreat now. His few leads were foiled by Mahoney's ducking while the Marine countered with hooks that thudded to the head and solar plexus. One furious exchange saw Max Jim take enough punishment to floor an ox but still he kept on his feet. The sixth round was even wilder. It, too, was Mahoney's, but it was marred by unfortunate fouls. These came when Mahoney rushed his man and Jim ducked, his shoulder catching the Marine's low. Mahoney was allowed up a little but he kept after Jim, trying hard to finish the fight on a knockout. The seventh and eighth stanzas were lively but not as good as the last two rounds, which saw Mahoney boring in and slamming Max Jim all over the ring. In the closing round, Mahoney hit Jim a dozen blows that would have floored almost anybody but he kept going, beaten but on his feet.

Ironed Bux.

The preliminaries produced two knockouts, a rip-snorter that went all of six lively rounds and one decision that was an error. The fourth event of the evening, featuring Kid Andre and Iron Bux, saw Hong Kong's one-time idol and triple champion being knocked dizzy and saved from the ignominy of a ten count by the quick action of Referee Williams. Bux at 164 was four pounds lighter than Andre but he was carrying a dozen or more pounds of fat. And fat was the only name for the flesh that bulged over his belt.

Bux outboxed the Russian easily in their first round. He swung his left to the head and body time and again. And he crossed with his right after scoring with his other hand. But his punches lacked dynamite. Andre was taking things easy and the few blows shot across were all aimed at Bux's over-prominent solar plexus. The end came in the second round. They boxed a little while and then Andre drove a right uppercut to



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Bux's chin that sent him over backwards. Before Bux hit the floor Andre had sunk his left into his falling opponent's solar plexus. Bux hit the floor with his head and the impact was heard all over the house. He rolled onto his feet as Williams counted eight. Andre dashed in and swung his right to the head. Bux dropped again, this time on his face and Williams prevented what would have been certain slaughter by proclaiming Andre the winner.

FOILS CHAMPION.

London, Mar. 24.
The amateur foil championship of England was decided during the week, the new champion being Emrys Lloyd of Cambridge University.

PRINCIPAL RUGBY RESULTS.

London, Mar. 24.
Results of the principal Rugby matches to-day were:—
Harlequins 8:—London Scottish 15.
Army 18: R.A.F. 6.
Cardiff 11: Blackheath 6.
Rosslyn 12: Devonport Service 9.
Richmond 11: North of Ireland 13.
Barts 3: Northampton 22.
Leicester 25: Old Merchant 0.
Telfords 0.
Newport 12: Swindon 11.

HOCKEY INTERNATIONAL.

London, Mar. 24.
England were beaten in the annual international hockey match by Ireland 4-4 by three goals to two.

CROSS-COUNTRY.

London, Mar. 24.
Although England furnished the first man home and Scotland the second, France won the international cross-country race at Ayr this afternoon, thus repeating the success they achieved in 1926, and in 1922 and 1923 their only successful years. The weather was wet. Eckersley (England) was first man to finish, and Buttle (Scotland) was second. The team placings were: France 45; England 55; Scotland 104; Wales 130.

CORINTHIANS DRAW.

London, Mar. 24.
In the annual match the Corinthians and the Army drew four all.



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Many of the Newest Dresses Show the Influence of the Victorian Era in Clothes—and They Are Really Interesting.

Modern versions of the clothes worn in the Victorian period are now being shown where the smart woman shops. Romantic figures, these, of a past generation, and the romantic quality of their clothes is being preserved in to-day's smartest outfits.

A silhouette long popular is the princess line which, adapted from the Victorian days, is seen in to-day's fashionable dress. It is thoroughly modernized, of course, but it still manages to impart the delicate charm and simplicity of the '80s and '90s.

More distinctive and requiring height and extreme grace is the dress boasting a bustle. This is of course unusual in an age always stressing simplicity of line and detail. But the bustle has been successfully effected in several examples of unusual evening gowns. It, too, is modified in its lines, but the expression of the old line is most skillfully achieved.

Lois Wilson, seen in the First National motion picture, "French Dressing," wearing gowns of marked charm and originality, wears a dress of olden-time appeal that is also chic in to-day's ideas. It is of black, exquisitely studded with

rhinestones in beautiful designs. The bodice is simple as they were wont to be in the old days. The neckline is outlined with the rhinestones. The skirt, bouffant and hanging clear to the floor, gains its real distinction in the genuine bustle that marks it of past generation inspiration. This is a type of dress that stands out at formal occasions and gains attention even in a roomful of smartly dressed women.

The bouffant gown, however, in all its outlines, gained its inspiration from frocks of many seasons ago. In more evening gowns of princess line the figure is apt to be draped more markedly. Circular flounces on skirts, moulded bodices and other details recall the romantic toilettes of days past. The princess silhouette with the skirt drawn back into a faint resemblance of the bustle is also a quaint reminder of the past.

Little puffed sleeves, long puffed sleeves and series of puffs on sleeves also mark the Victorian days as their inspiration in to-day's modern clothes. These are but a few of the interesting details of a past generation that are being worn so smartly by to-day's younger set.

JUMPER SUITS.

Sleeveless Waistcoats
Coming In.

The new jumper suits are as smart as their popular predecessors. With an optimism that experience hardly justifies, the dress artists are using lighter materials and brighter colours for the outfits prepared for the spring. As many of these will be given an airing on the Riviera, some women at any rate will be able to enjoy change in texture and colour within a week or two. Others will have to wait until the English spring arrives.

Sleeveless Waistcoats.

The latest ideas of fashion on the all-important subject of sports clothes are becoming illustrated in the Cs Salons, 31, Sloane-street, S.W.1, where our artist sketched the suit. This is an ensemble



The Youthful Mode Is Expressed in Simple Outlines With Effective Trimmings to Lend Variety.

The Midseason mode is bringing several charming examples of feminine frocks to the fore. There are various means of expressing the femininity in clothes charmingly by bows, tucks, boleros, and tiers. More striking forms of trimming are seldom used. Originality and charm are obtained by novel uses of such decorative ideas. The Paris collections are rich in detail.

Skirts and waists are trimmed with large triangles made of fine tucks to give a sunburst effect. Double boleros on plain blouses begin from shoulder yokes and tie in bows at the side front. Skirts repeat the bolero effects in tiers. The skirt mode, by the way, is most important. Flat tiers create some of the most enchanting of the new daytime frocks. Frocks in general give a note of simplicity. A single ruffle on a straight line skirt, which runs from the hemline to the hipline and descends in back, is also new. Both petals and tiers manage to achieve an elegant simplicity. With a severely simple blouse a skirt of several tiers—or tiers being circular and somewhat lifted to one side—creates a dress of distinction. Diagonal bands on the petal skirt, too, lend a note of the unusual.

Loretta Young, appearing in First National's "Her Wild Out," wears a dress of charming simplicity and youthfulness that expresses much of the advanced winter mode. It is of cornflower blue satin. Petals are used to form the attractive collar while two rows of petals relieve the severity of the skirt. The dress is a delightful example of the youthful mode that is also smart with interesting detail.

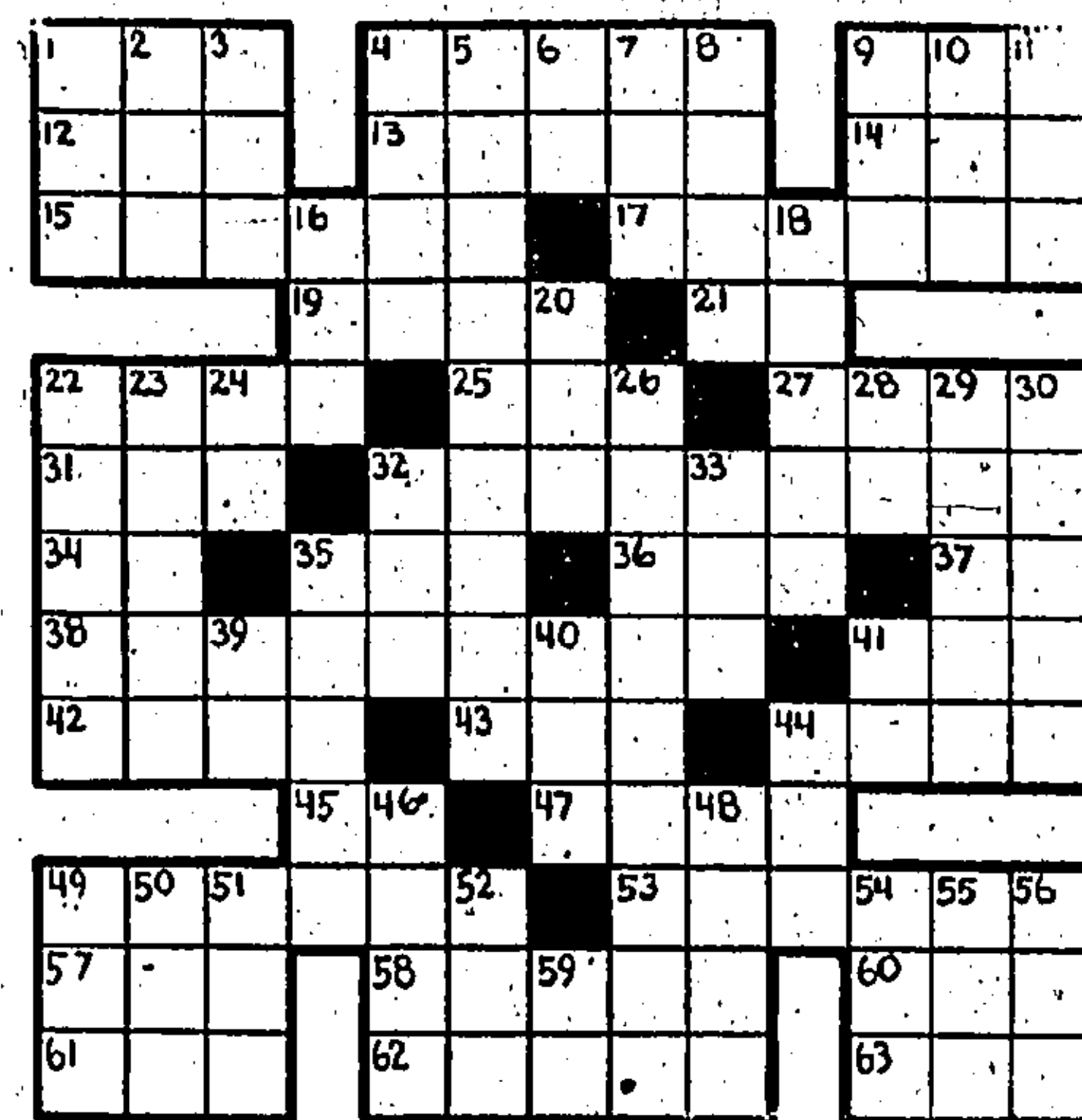
Hat Ornaments.

The smartest hat is made or married by the brooch with which it is adorned. In the Cadeaux Chics section of the Cs Salons the hat brooches form an interesting exhibit. The latest idea is a long leaf-shaped brooch, set with rhinestones. One gets it, too, in clear tortoiseshell.

The superstitious will fall for Buddhas, jade or red, with a background of rhinestones; those whose tastes are in the direction of sport will probably prefer a glittering representation of a fox or hare or greyhound. An artist might incline to a lovely model. It is all a matter of taste, and there is something to suit every taste at 31, Sloane-street.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plover, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

1-Place
4-In front
6-Behind
12-Sin
13-A liking
14-Anger
15-Nevertheless
17-Part of a muscle
18-Formerly
21-Accomplish
22-Ran
25-It is (contr.)
27-Blemish
31-Tablet
32-Peeler
34-Within
35-Scotch name.
Prefix
37-Some
38-Like
39-These who comment
41-A worthless leaving
42-Dash
43-Musical note
44-Requests

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

46-Conjunction
47-Part of a pen (pl.)
48-Interact
53-Cuddle
57-Period
58-Biographical
60-Propeller
61-Terminal
62-Forest
63-Urge on

VERTICAL

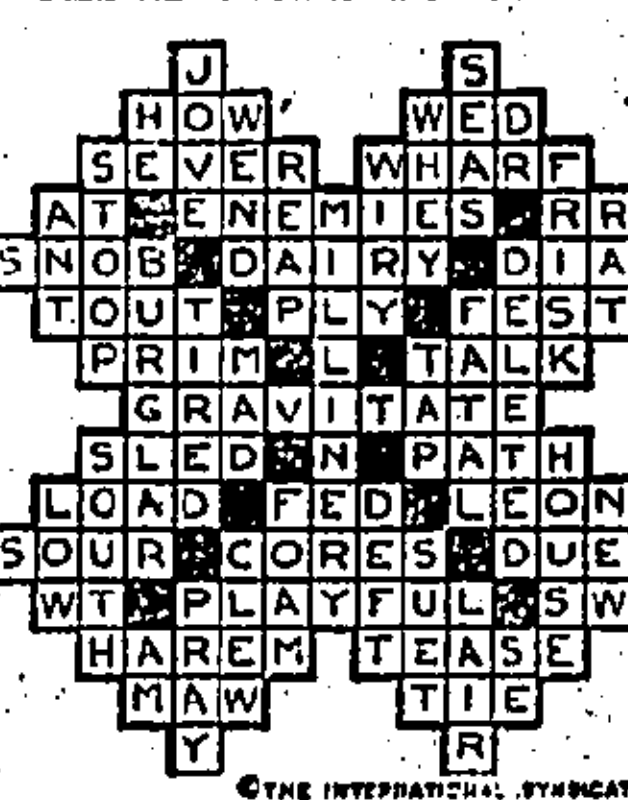
1-A vegetable
2-Vase
3-Attempt
4-Distant
5-Pile of hay
6-Half an em
7-Perform
8-Colored
9-Help
10-From
11-Half a score
16-Marry
18-Bravely
20-A metal

VERTICAL (Cont.)

22-Steeply
23-Sunken portion
24-Man's name (short)
26-Kind of bird (pl.)
28-Fifty-one (Roman)
29-A mountain range in Missouri
30-Tries
32-Sailor
33-Answer (abbr.)
35-Madness
39-A parent
40-Age
41-Bone (Latin)
44-Silly person
46-Saved
48-A vegetable
49-An insect
50-Eagle
51-Possessed
52-Girl's name shortened
54-A digit
55-Fall behind
56-Unit of work
59-Conjunction

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



HONGKONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1823
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1784
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The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1805
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Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Rd. (Alterbeds) ..	297
Mainland.	
Taimoshan	8124
Kowloon Peak	1971

WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on March 1, 1928.—
CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1927	1928
Tytam	14' 9" B 11' 10" B	
Tytam Byewash	28' 2" B 27' 8" B	
Tytam Intermediate	20' 4" B 27' 11" B	
Tytam Tuk	25' 10" B 28' 6" B	
Wong Nei Chung	19' 1" B 20' 4" B	
Pokfulum	20' 4" B 20' 7" B	
(Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow". A. denotes "Above Overflow".)		
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.		
	1927	1928
Tytam	271.21	291.70
Tytam Byewash	99.52	72.35
Tytam Intermediate	885.00	650.02
Tytam Tuk	10.55	9.62
Wong Nei Chung	23.80	23.25
Pokfulum		
Total	1,270.08	1,047.75

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of February.

	1927	1928
Consumption	191.88	204.54
Estimated population 409,840	419,000	
Consumption per head	18.7	16.8
Full Supply in all Rider Main Districts during February with the excep-		

tion of the district west of Garden-road where an intermittent supply was given from 8rd to 28th February, 1927. Intermittent supply in all Rider Main Districts during February, 1928.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1927	1928
Kowloon Reservoir	15' 7" B 8' 10" B	
Shek Lai Pui Reser- voir	10' 2" B 2' 4" B	
Reception Reservoir	3' 4" B 0' 7" B	
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.		
	1927	1928
Kowloon Reservoir	2105	266.78
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	6314	108.68
Reception Reservoir	24.55	31.59
Total	297.74	404.85

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of February.

	1927	1928
Consumption	84.84	84.59
Estimated population 158,950	164,020	
Consumption per head	14.5	16.8
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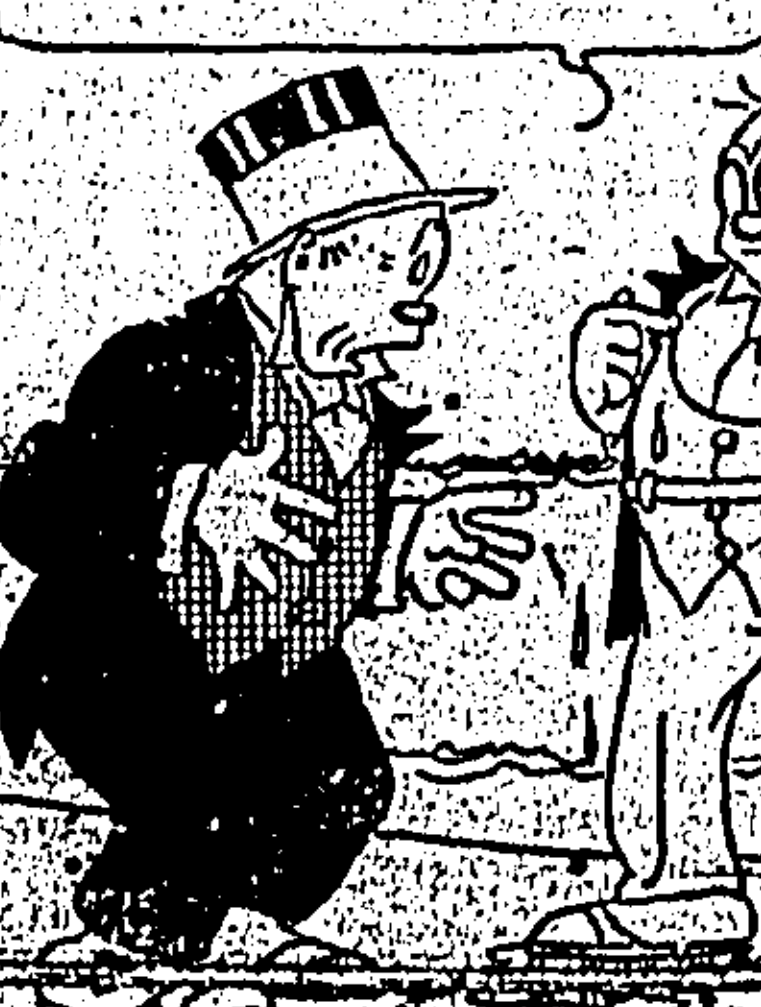
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SHAMEEN BLOCKADE

MORE FROM CAPTAIN THOMSON.

THRILLING STORY.

Canton was in the hands of riotous mobs. The Island of Shameen, the European quarter, was invested. Then New Zealand came to the fore and Captain B. McK. Thomson, a Gisborne boy, sailed a British ship to the invested island under the very muzzles of the guns of the Canton forts.

Captain Thomson, who ate his first bit of "salt horse" under the flag of the Union Steamship Company, has been adventuring of late years in the China Seas. A "New Zealand Free Lance" reporter went after him for the story of the Canton blockade.

The skipper looked hopelessly at his watch as an excuse. Then he cocked one leg over the other, and put a fair breeze behind a thrilling narrative.

Trouble Brews-Up.

"I was in Canton when the British were obliged to use force of arms to prevent the Chinese from getting on to the Island of Shameen. The trouble originated in Shanghai between mill-workers and the Japanese. The student element began the propaganda work in the street, working the mob up to riot. To save the police station from being taken by the mob, the British police had to resort to firearms. A month later the Cantonese held a procession in sympathy with the so-called 'victims of the Imperialists'."

"Trouble was expected. I was ordered to stand off the Island of Shameen—the European quarter—with my merchant ship belonging to the Hong Kong, Canton, Macao Steamboat Company. Four days later rioting took place near the bridge crossing the creek which divides Shameen from the mainland, and a Frenchman was killed by practically the first shot."

"To save the women and children from danger at the hands of the mob, now worked up to fever pitch, they were taken from Shameen and placed upon my ship, the 'Honam.' The following morning we sailed under escort past the forts guarding Canton. All the Chinese crews were on strike, and the passengers had to secure the food from the lockers and prepare it. Stokers from American gunboats worked the ship to Hong Kong. So far, so good. The women and children were away. Part of the male population remained."

Breaking the Blockade.

"The island, which is a mile long by a quarter of a mile wide, was practically invested for six or eight months. The Navy chartered a

Chinese ship flying the British flag and maintained communication with Shameen until it was decided to try out a British merchantman to attempt to re-open the run; but the Chinese stated that they would sink any British ship attempting to pass the Canton forts. My Company called for volunteers to take a ship up. I was in command. The secretary of the Company was the quartermaster and other Europeans formed the crew.

"So we set sail, keeping up communication with Hong Kong to let the authorities there know that we were still afloat. Passing the forts was a doubtful business, but we reached Canton without untoward incident. Coming down next day the signal hoisted on the Chinese fort said: 'The attempt is dangerous,' but nothing happened."

"Next day we carried a few passengers, who were charged huge sums for coming up on a British ship. On the following trip the signal from the fort read, 'Stop immediately!' I did so, waited a while, and then carried on to Canton. Next day a British gunboat signalled to me: 'Am escorting you past the forts. Ignore all Chinese signals and proceed until you are fired upon. The escort reported that mines had been laid across the river.'

Naval Engagement Threatened.

"Upon approaching the forts, two Chinese gunboats were seen. A crowd of Chinese stood around two big guns on the forts, where the signal 'Stop immediately!' was flown. My escort signalled for me to come up on his outside, and to the forts: 'You must not fire.' I carried on my way until I read the signal from the escort: 'Stop out of rifle fire.'"

"The escort reported hearing the crackle of rifles and inquired if my boat had suffered any casualties. Then a second British gunboat cleared for action and took up position on my starboard side. A third Chinese gunboat, in command of a Russian appeared. The order to proceed ignoring all signals was repeated, and off we went again. But a loud hooting of sirens was all the action the Chinese took and we reached Hong Kong in safety."

"The situation around Canton gradually got better. After being a long time without any work to do, Chinese labour, the servants of Europeans, commenced to come back. They ran grave risks, however, as Shameen was watched very closely and guards ruthlessly slaughtered those trying to reach the island. When I left Canton the position seemed to be in the balance. The moderates got in and held power for a time, and then the Reds element got back. But now they have been ejected, with more rioting and bloodshed."

But the captain would not be drawn on the subjects of Chinese politics. "It does not do," he explained, "to discuss the public affairs of the people with whom we do our business."—New Zealand "Free Lance."

POLICE RESERVE.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR'S INSPECTION.

PRACTICE PARADE.

Hong Kong Police Reserve orders issued yesterday by the Captain Superintendent of Police read as follows:—

Practice Parade.

All members of the Chinese, Indian, and Flying Squad Companies will attend practice parade at Murray parade ground on Wednesday, April 4 and 11. Fall in at Central Police Station compound at 3.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—uniform, cap with cover and belt, (no truncheon).

Indian Company.

Strength—The following have enrolled in the Indian Company: Constables R.223 Sheikh Joonus, R.229 Jewan Singh, R.251 Furan Singh.

The following is the result of Examination in Part 2 (knowledge of Police Duties and Regulations) held on Sunday, March 25.

Passed with Credit.—Constables R.205 Abdul Latif, R.228 Lal Khan, R.207 Abmad Khan. Passed.—Constables R.219 Ghulam M. Din, R.235 Miro Khan, R.234 Mohamed Hussain.

Flying Squad.

The next weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong section on Thursday, April 5 will start from Central Police Station at 2.15 p.m. sharp.

Sharpshooters' Company.

There will be practice parades on Wednesday, April 4 and 11 in preparation for the Governor's Inspection. Attendance by members of the Sharpshooters' Company at these practice parades is optional, but those who are willing to attend should send in their names to the O. I. C. as soon as possible.

COLONY'S HEALTH.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE LAST WEEK.

SIXTEEN CASES IN ALL.

Sixteen cases of notifiable disease were reported to the Medical Officer of Health last week, as follows:—

Small-pox: 5 from city, 5 from Kowloon—total 10, of which 9 were Chinese (2 imported) and 1 Japanese (imported).

Enteric fever (typhoid): 3 cases from city, 1 from Shaukiwan—total 4 all Chinese.

Cerebro-spinal fever: 1 Chinese case from city.

Puerperal fever: 1 Chinese case from city.

Deaths during the week were as follows:—small pox 5, enteric fever (typhoid) 2, cerebro-spinal fever 1.

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COTTON TRADE.

Lancashire. Associations
Coping With Crisis.

NEW SCHEME.

Employers Wish Another
Conference With Trade Unions.

London, To-day.
The Cotton Spinners' and Manufacturers' are making a further attempt to secure the co-operation of operatives in the movement to reduce production costs.
The Federation of Master Cotton Spinners' Associations and the Cotton Spinners' and Manufacturers' Associations have invited the representatives of the Cotton Trade Unions to a conference after Easter.

The nature of the proposals are not stated but wages will be considered and employers will lay stress on the importance of 48 hours of effective production.

Cotton Trade's Only Salvation.
Under a scheme to be promoted by the Cotton and Yarn Association for the proposed combine mills of the American section of the spinning trade combine will be entitled the Lancashire Textile Corporation, Limited, the support of owners of least 2,000,000 spindles will be required for its formation.

Mr. J. J. Tattersall, presiding at a meeting, said that 54 mills, representing 5,700,000 spindles, had already sent in their balance sheets, which did not mean that they had joined the scheme but that they were interested in it. Three banks, holding 75 per cent. of the cotton trade are prepared to receive applications from mills likely to join. He did not doubt that buyers throughout the world would trade with the corporation.

Mr. Tattersall had no fears as regards finance, as working capital would be obtainable in many ways. Lancashire knew that amalgamation was its only salvation.—Reuter.

AMERICAN TRADE.

STATEMENT BY MR.
MELLON.

Washington, To-day.
Mr. Andrew Mellon, Secretary to the Treasury, told the Senate Finance Committee that he did not anticipate a material change of business conditions during the remainder of 1928 from the preceding years. The \$290,000,000 tax reduction must perhaps be cut down to \$182,000,000 which is less than that proposed last year and is due to increased Government Expenditure.—Reuter's American Service.

LABOUR STRIFE.

20,000 GERMAN METAL
WORKERS ON STRIKE.

WORKSHOPS IDLE.

Berlin, To-day.
Twenty thousand Saxon metal workers have struck and have brought to a standstill a large number of workshops. The Saxon industrialists will hold a meeting on the 5th inst. to consider the question of locking out all the metal-workers.—Reuter.

GOLD COAST.

NEW HARBOUR AT £4,000,000
COST.

COVERS 200 ACRES.

Second, Yesterday.
Mr. J. H. Thomas, M.P. (who was Secretary for the Colonies in the Labour Government) opened the new Takoradi Harbour on the Gold Coast.
The harbour, covers 200 acres and cost £4,000,000.—Reuter.

FRENCH CRUISER.

NEW 10,000-TONNER'S
ACHIEVEMENT.

CREATES WORLD'S RECORD.

Paris, Yesterday.
On her trial off Lorient, the new French 10,000-ton cruiser "Tourville" attained a speed of 36.16 knots, beating the world's record, previously held by her sister ship "Duquesne" with 35.3 knots.—Reuter.

NAVAL PAGEANT.

Arranged In Honour of
King Amanullah.

PRINCE GEORGE PRESENT.

Realistic And Impressive Spectacle
Staged.

London, Yesterday.
King Amanullah, of Afghanistan, witnessed a great display of British seapower to-day. He embarked at Portland in H.M.S. "Nelson," the new 33,500 ton battleship, the flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Hubert Brand, Commander-in-Chief of the Atlantic fleet.

A royal salute of 21 guns was fired as he went aboard. As soon as the "Nelson" was a few miles from the coast a series of realistic war operations began. King Amanullah watched them from one of the observation platforms. By his side were Vice-Admiral Brand and Prince George, who is Staff Officer in the warship, and who, in French, explained the operations to him.

Submarines dived and launched torpedoes at the battleship and one of them rose to the surface and attacked with guns.

The flagship notified the anti-submarine destroyers which rapidly came into action and dispersed the submarines with depth charges. The Atlantic fleet was sighted approaching majestically in three columns. It fired a Royal salute and then, changing formation, went by in line. Miles away lay a target, towed by the warship "Snapdragon." The battle-cruisers "Repulse" and "Renown" of 26,500 tons and steaming at 25 knots on a circular course, concentrated upon the target with heavy fire from their 16 inch guns.

Later an attack by aircraft, launched from the carrier "Furious" was made upon the "Nelson."

The greatest thrill of the day, however, was when the destroyer flotillas bore down upon the "Nelson" and attacked with torpedoes. Cruisers engaged them and a tense battle ensued.

King Amanullah, who had expressed his keen interest in the naval spectacle, was escorted back to Portsmouth by the fleet and a flight of seaplanes.

Queen Souriya.
Queen Souriya did not accompany King Amanullah. Instead she stayed in London and visited Queen Charlotte's Hospital, which is devoted to maternity cases. She asked many questions about the work of the hospital and was much impressed when the Matron told her of the low rate of infant mortality in England.—British Wireless Service.

LORD TREMATON.

TAKES A TURN FOR
THE WORSE.

London, To-day.
A telegram from Belleville-sur-Saone states that the condition of Viscount Trematon, son of the Earl



of Athlone, who is in the hospital there suffering from injuries sustained in a motor-car accident, has taken a turn for the worse.—British Wireless Service.

[Note: The accident happened on the Paris-Lyon road on Monday. One of the occupants of the car was killed. Lord Trematon is H.M. the Queen's nephew.]

There seems to be a general tendency to sobriety, and I hope that such a thing will continue for many a day.—Mr. B. Bailey.

PETROL PRICE.

Russian Concern Re-
duces Its Figure.

11 1/2d. PER GALLON.

Struggle Between Combine And
Non-Combine Companies.

London, To-day.
In announcing a reduction in the price of best petrol to 11 1/2d. per gallon, the Russian Oil Products, Limited, says that the Combine reductions, cabled on the 1st inst., were initiated for the purpose of eliminating the non-combine firms, but "we intend to hold the clientele which we have secured during the past four years."—Reuter.

EASTER VISIT.

(Continued from Page 1.)

The arrangements for an entertainment of 3,000 warrant officers and men will be the same as on the previous day, the various groups changing about.

At 7.30 p.m., two hundred Chief and Petty Officers of the Japanese Fleet will be entertained at a smoking concert in the (British) Chief and Petty Officers' Recreation Rooms.

Thursday, April 12.
Admiral Kato gives a tiffin on board the "Nagato."

There will be a sports meeting for the visitors at the Garrison recreation ground, Sookumpoo, during the afternoon. The arrangements are in the hands of Mr. Kitayama, one of the local residents.

At 5.15 p.m., another hundred officers will be entertained at the three cinemas as on the day before.

The "Mutsu" and "Fuso" will be open to Japanese visitors. A dinner will be given by the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce in the Hong Kong Hotel.

Friday, April 13.
At 1 p.m., the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce will give a tiffin at the Kam Ling restaurant, West Point.

An "at Home" will be held on the "Nagato" in the afternoon. The cinema shows for a hundred officers of the previous days will be repeated and there will be motor-car trips around the island.

The Japanese Consul-General gives a dinner in the Hong Kong Hotel.

For the men there will be another cinema performance at the Grand Theatre, Wanchai, during the afternoon.

Lady Clement will entertain 120 warrant officers and men at Mountain Lodge during the day. The "Nagato" and "Mutsu" will be open to British visitors.

Travelling Facilities.
On Saturday, April 14, the Japanese ships leave Hong Kong. During their stay, baseball matches will be arranged by the local Japanese community.

Car transport for the senior officers will be available throughout the stay.

In addition to the arranged landing parties referred to in the programme, batches of the men will visit different parts of the Colony during their leisure.

Ample facilities will be made for officers and men to get about. The Kowloon buses will give free trips, limiting the number to four on each bus. Officers and men will travel free on the lower level trams in Hong Kong, not more than ten to each tram. A thousand tickets for officers and four thousand for men will be presented by the Peak Tramway Co., the limit for each car being twenty.

Clubs Thrown Open.
Five thousand five hundred packets of special cigarettes, with the Japanese and British emblems on them, will be presented to the visitors.

The officers will be made honorary members of the Hong Kong Club, the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, the Kowloon Golf Club, Club de Recreo, United Services Recreation Club, Royal Naval Officers Sports Club, The Jockey Club, as indicated, is sending complimentary tickets for the race meeting.

The Chief and Petty Officers will be honorary members of the Chief and Petty Officers' Recreation Rooms, in the Royal Naval Dockyard.

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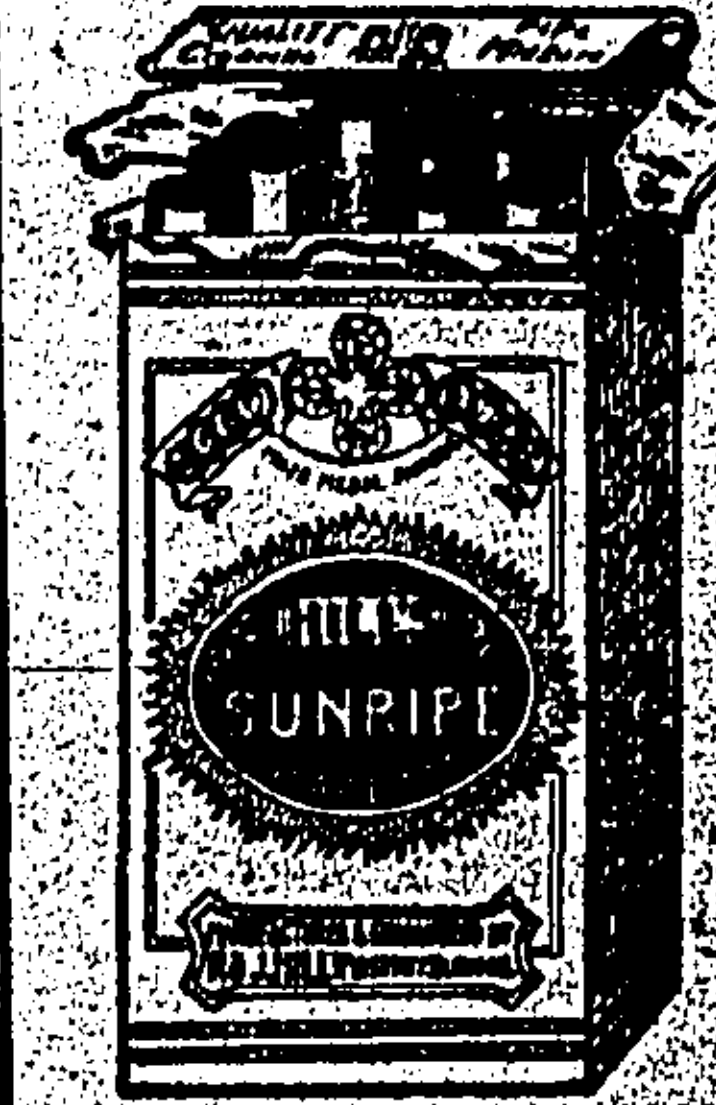
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